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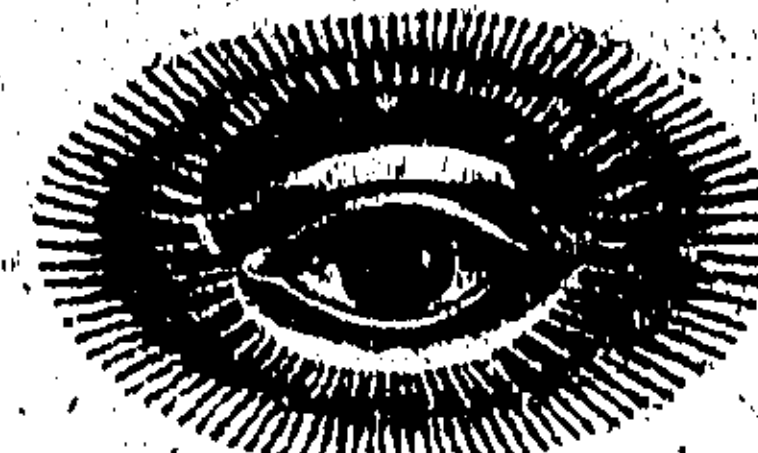
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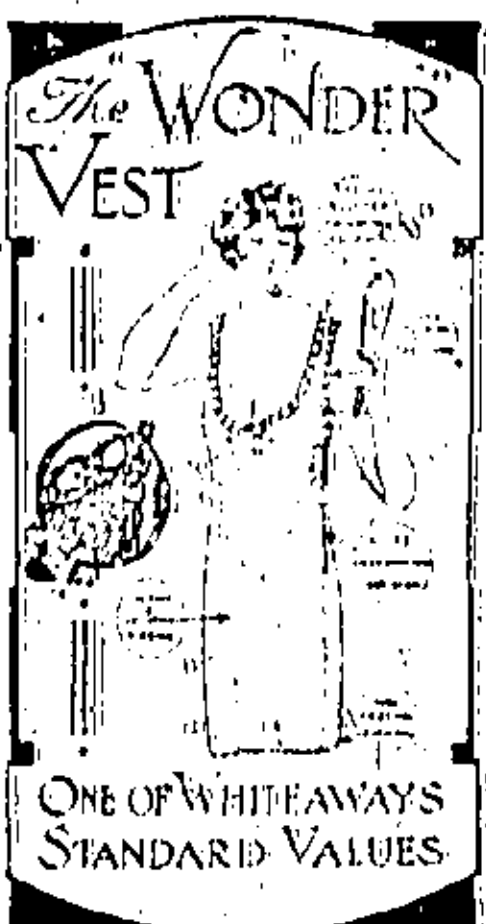


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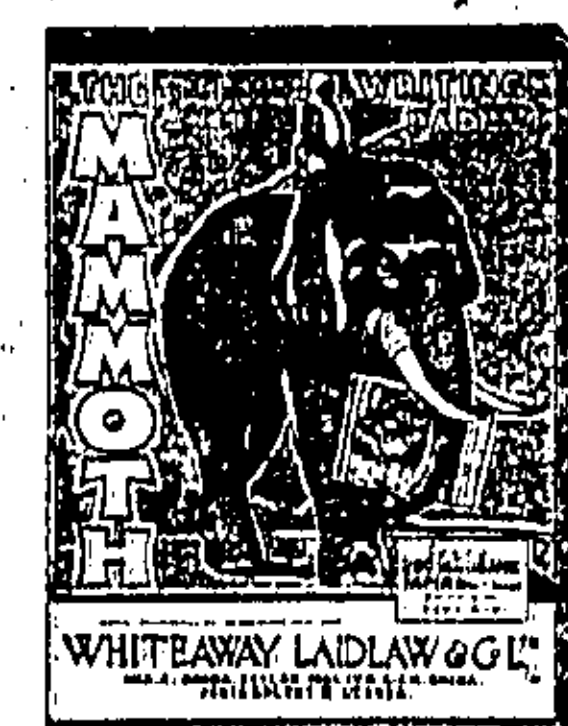
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CRLIS IN CHINA. BRITISH WARSHIPS UNDER ORDERS. Cabinet to Meet. A COMMON POLICY AMONG THE POWERS?

Orders to British warships to stand by for sailing to the Far East and consultations among the Powers to reach a common policy are the chief features of to-day's news concerning China.

CABINET TO MEET.

Cruiser Squadron Decision.

London, Jan. 16.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, goes to Town early to-morrow morning to confer with the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Sir Austen Chamberlain, before the meeting of the Cabinet to deal with the situation in China. It is stated authoritatively that the decision to send the cruiser squadron to China has been taken with the object of reassuring British residents and if necessary of protecting their interests.—Reuter.

READY TO SAIL.

Warships Under Orders.

Rugby, Jan. 16.

The Admiralty announces that the First Cruiser Squadron, which is attached to the Mediterranean Fleet, has been ordered to stand by in readiness to proceed to China if required.

The first cruiser squadron consists of the "Frobisher," which is its flagship, and the "Danae," "Dragon," "Dauntless" and "Delphinus." "Frobisher" is a cruiser of 4,650 tons and the four other vessels are sister ships of 4,650 tons displacement.

The following eight cruisers are already in Chinese waters:—"Carlisle," "Emerald," "Vindictive," "Despatch," "Enterprise," "Caradoc," "Hawkins" and "Durban." The Eighth Destroyer Flotilla is ready to sail, and two further destroyers are at Malta and will serve as escorts for the gunboats "Aphis" and "Ladybird," which are there, and are also under orders for China.

Nine destroyers, 13 gunboats, five sloops and the aircraft carrier "Hermes" are already in Chinese waters.

A COMMON POLICY.

Consultations Among Powers.

The decision to give "stand-by" orders to the First Cruiser Squadron was reached after consultation between the Foreign Secretary, the Prime Minister and the Admiralty.

Mr. Baldwin is at his country residence at Chequers for the week-end, but is maintaining close touch with Whitehall, and will return to London to-morrow, when a further Cabinet meeting will be held.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, cancelled his week-end engagements and remained in London.

Consultations between the Powers having interests in Shanghai are continuing, and it is hoped a common line of policy may be reached with a view to preventing a repetition at Shanghai of the events which recently occurred in Hankow.

Meanwhile, the British authorities in China—diplomatic, naval and military—continue to have wide discretion to deal with local emergencies.

HANKOW POSITION.

British Admiral Arrives.

Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt, Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron, arrived in Hankow yesterday.

Conversations between Mr. O'Malley, acting Counsellor for the British Legation at Peking, and Mr. Eugene Chen, Cantonese Foreign Minister, are proceeding.—British Wireless Service.

ATTACK ON A GERMAN.

Mr. Eugene Chen Tenders Regrets.

Hankow.—The German Consul-General called on Mr. Eugene

Chen, Minister for Foreign Affairs, in connection with the attack on a German national named Burmeister, by a Chinese.

Pending an official inquiry into the incident, which has been immediately ordered, it is understood that Mr. Chen expressed regrets concerning the incident. If the inquiry discloses that the Chinese were wholly to blame in the matter, it is understood that the Nationalist Government will give complete satisfaction.

Adequate measures have been ordered to prevent the possibility of a recurrence of any such incidents.

NAVY NEWS.

"All Quiet at Canton."

No messages have been received by the naval authorities regarding the situation in the North over the week-end. A wireless message from Canton states that "all is quiet."

A NEW IDEA.

"HANOT" PIRACY CHARGE POSITION.

When the case in which a Chinese is charged with being implicated in the piracy of the s.s. "Hanot" was called in Mr. Lindell's Court at the Central Magistracy this morning, his Worship informed Chief Detective Inspector T. Murphy that he understood that there was a possibility that the defendant would be extradited to French Indo-China.

Inspector Murphy said that he had received no information to that effect.

Mr. Lindell: It may be a new idea on the part of Mr. King. Inspector Murphy said that the position as far as his Worship was concerned was that the "Hanot" would arrive in the Colony on Thursday, remaining here for two days only.

His Worship: Do you want me to take evidence?
Insp. Murphy: Mr. King informed me on Saturday that none of the Crown advocates will be available on Thursday or Friday, and it is suggested that we proceed with the case in their absence. I shall have to call two of the ship's officers.

The case was remanded until Thursday morning.

VISIT TO ROME.

CHANCELLOR OF EXCHEQUER WELCOMED.

Rugby, Jan. 16.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, arrived at Rome yesterday from Athens via Brindisi.

Although the visit, during which Mr. Churchill is the guest of the British Minister, is private, his arrival in Rome is warmly welcomed in the Press, which regards it as an indication of the friendliness of Anglo-Italian relations.

Mr. Churchill called upon the Premier, Signor Mussolini, yesterday and had a long conversation.—British Wireless Service.

TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

E. winds, moderate, fair, is the forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow. Pressure has increased considerably over central and N. E. Japan. It has decreased moderately from the Loochoos to the Yangtze Valley and N. E. China and slightly elsewhere. The anticyclone has weakened and is now central over Korea. Moderate monsoon may be expected along the S. E. coast of China and over the N. China sea.

His many Kowloon friends will regret to hear of the serious illness of Mr. A. W. E. Davidson of the China Light & Power Co., Ltd., who is in the French Convent Hospital, suffering from pneumonia. On enquiry at the hospital to-day, the "China Mail" was informed that his condition had shown slight improvement.

FIRST DEFEAT.

CANTON'S ARMY AGAINST WU PEI-FU.

NORTHERNERS ADVANCING.

Peking, Jan. 16.

It is reliably reported from Chengchow that Tien Wei-chin's vanguard, after a half day's fighting, gained a considerable victory over Tang Seng-chi's subordinate, General Liu Chien.

The main forces are advancing and heavy fighting is anticipated shortly. Tien Wei-chin is hastening to Hsinyangchow to take personal command.—Reuter.

According to the above cable, Marshal Wu Pei-fu's long promised counter-attack against the Nationalists has materialised.

After capturing the Wu-han cities, the Southerners drove Wu Pei-fu northwards into Honan province, the latter making his headquarters at Chengchow. Hsinyangchow was their most southerly outpost.

General Tien Wei-chin is now Wu Pei-fu's most trusted subordinate. General Tang Seng-chi commands the Nationalist 8th Army. He it was who retired into Kwangtung when the Northerners disputed his governorship of Hunan province. This factor brought about the war between Canton and Wu Pei-fu. General Chang Kai-shek took Tang Seng-chi into his fold, appointed him commander of the 8th Army, espoused his cause, and advanced far into the North.

This action can be said to be the first defeat inflicted by Wu Pei-fu on the Nationalist Army but it should be noted that the news emanates from Wu Pei-fu's headquarters.

Ningbo Taken?

Shanghai, Jan. 15.

The Cantonese are reported to have suffered another reverse in Chekiang by the capture of Ningbo by Sun Chuan-fang's troops.

The defeated forces are stated to be retreating into Fukien. According to a communique, Sun Chuan-fang has occupied Yenchow.—Reuter.

THE LONG ARM.

ARREST OF A SINGAPORE CHINESE.

Arrested on telegraphic instructions from the Singapore Police, a Straits Chinese, was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning with criminal breach of trust.

Chief Detective Inspector Murphy informed his Worship that the man was arrested upon his arrival in the Colony and found to be in possession of several thousands of dollars worth of platinum and gold jewellery. It was alleged that he was the manager of a shop in Singapore and that he had absconded with the major portion of the firm's stock. Two Chinese ladies who had accompanied the prisoner on the voyage were at present in Police custody pending further information from Singapore.

In reply to Mr. Lindell, Insp. Murphy said that he understood that the prisoner was willing to surrender his extradition rights and to return to Singapore voluntarily.

Mr. Lindell remanded the man in police custody for forty-eight hours.

BAIL FOR INDIAN.

NOT EASY TO LEAVE THE COLONY.

The case in which an Indian watchman employed by Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co. was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Chief Detective Inspector Murphy applied for a further remand as the youth was unable to attend Court.

Insp. Murphy said that he would not oppose bail of \$250 cash.

Mr. Lindell: Do you think that will hold him?

The Inspector said that it was not easy for an Indian to leave the Colony.

A week's remand was granted, bail being allowed as suggested.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand to-day was 1/11 13/16

ILLEGAL SOCIETY?

Guild & Alleged Strike Support.

JUDGE'S VIEW IN LAW.

Does an illegal act by a Society or Guild, such as the supporting of the strike against Hong Kong and the devoting of Guild funds to aiding members to leave Hong Kong for Canton, constitute it an illegal society and nullify its claims against members?

This was a point which was raised in the Summary Court this morning in the continuation of the case in which the Hong Kong Kwong Yee Kong House Masons' Guild claims against one of its members for \$249 in respect of alleged arrears of percentages on contracts which is the Guild's method of raising funds, provided for in the rules.

Mr. F. H. Loseby is for the plaintiff (officials of the Guild) and Mr. D. McCallum for the defendant.

In opening the defence this morning, Mr. McCallum said that he had asked Mr. Loseby to produce other books in relation to the Guild. There was not a single

\$50 PRIZE.

To-day's Cross-Word Puzzle Competition.

Details of the "China Mail's" cross-word puzzle competition, which begins to-day, are announced on page nine of this issue.

The rules for this entertaining competition are quite simple, and the \$50 must be won every week. Why not have a try?

one before the Court which went further back in regard to the accounts of the Guild than July, 1925. If the Guild had been in existence for 40 years as claimed, surely there were other books.

Afraid To Give Evidence?

Mr. Loseby said that the books were of considerable bulk. He had only been asked to produce them on Saturday. He had given instructions to his clients but he understood that the books had not been brought.

His Honour, commenting that the object of Mr. McCallum was apparently to give evidence in regard to his contention that the Guild was an illegal Society, said that he would continue and give leave to call further evidence with regard to the books if necessary.

Mr. McCallum said that he was in a further difficulty in regard to the disinclination of members of the Guild in a similar position to the defendant to come forward and give evidence. It might be that he would have to apply for permission to subpoena them if his client alone was not sufficient to convince His Honour.

His Honour commented that he would hear defendant's evidence on the understanding that the defence had not closed with it.

Money Already Paid?

Defendant was then called and stated that as regards the claims for work alleged to have been done in 1924 and 1925 in request of which the Guild claimed percentages, he had only been concerned in a few of the 15 contracts in respect of which the claim was based.

Defendant went into particulars of these, the sum which according to the Guild's rules would be due by him to the Guild in respect of those he admitted liability for, being \$190. This amount he had settled with the Guild for, he claimed, giving particulars of a meeting of the Guild at which it had been agreed to set off a certain amount owing to him by another member; also of the payment of the balance in person to an official of the Guild.

Defendant further stated that when the strike broke out, nearly all the members and officials of the Guild left for Canton, a few being left behind to look after the offices. The Guild paid for the passage money of all members to Canton.

His Honour: Even assuming that the Guild committed an illegal act of this kind, does it vary this man's liability. You must show that it is an unlawful

CIVIC AFFAIRS.

THE KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

WORK OF THE MONTH.

The monthly meeting of this Association was held last week. A letter was read from the Colonial Secretary, in reply to one sent by the Association, stating that the Government were not prepared to re-open the Kowloon Dispensary in other rented premises in the Central District of Kowloon.

As the Kowloon Hospital is somewhat difficult of access, and in the case of an accident the delay might entail risk to a patient it was decided to request the Government to reconsider the matter.

The China Light & Power Co. has stated that the increase of voltage will be carried out "without any expense, whatsoever to the consumers." As lamps of higher candle-power using more current must be used, and on account of various other considerations, the Committee expressed some doubt as to this statement, if the present cost per unit is maintained. It was agreed to write to the Company for some assurance on this point.

The Children's Playground Subcommittee reported that they had interviewed the officials in charge concerning the plot of land promised by the Government in the vicinity of Holt's Wharf. The Committee decided to write to the Government to accept their offer and to enquire if the Government will proceed with the development of the plot in accordance with the plan, as soon as funds are available for the purpose.

They hoped that the planting of trees might be undertaken at once.

The annual meeting of the Association is to take place on February 21 next, if possible.

Society "ad valitio" before you can deny defendant's liability. The commission of an unlawful act does not deprive anyone or any Society of rights in law.

Mr. McCallum claimed that certain rules had been framed for the conduct of the Guild. Any alterations in its purpose from those rules must be accepted unanimously by the members for them to stand. Members would have had to be unanimous that the Guild should support the strike and that the funds should be devoted to this purpose.

Workmen Intimidated.

Mr. McCallum continued with his examination of the defendant who, in further referring to the Guild's activities during the period immediately following the strike, said that to his knowledge two "investigators" in the employ of the Guild made rounds of the workshops and intimidated men into leaving work.

Asked as to the "charitable purposes" which, under the rules of the Guild, certain of the money raised from members should be devoted, defendant said that never to his knowledge had monies of the Guild been devoted to any charitable purpose.

Cross-examined by Mr. Loseby, defendant said that he had not a close knowledge of the working of the Guild. Since the strike he had not heard anything of the activities of the Guild. He seldom went to their premises. In respect of work which he had done since the strike he had not deducted from the wages paid to workmen the percentage which, under the rules of the Guild, he should do for payment into Guild funds. Most of the money raised in the past by the Guild had gone to the payment of officials and "active" Guild members.

His Honour's View.

In adjourning the case, at the conclusion of defendant's evidence, His Honour remarked that this was to enable Mr. McCallum to study the books for the production of which he had asked. If Mr. McCallum intended to continue the case on the grounds that the Guild was an illegal Society, His Honour advised him to submit to judgment. In regard to the amount on the evidence before him, His Honour was of the opinion that only \$120 was due. The case was adjourned.

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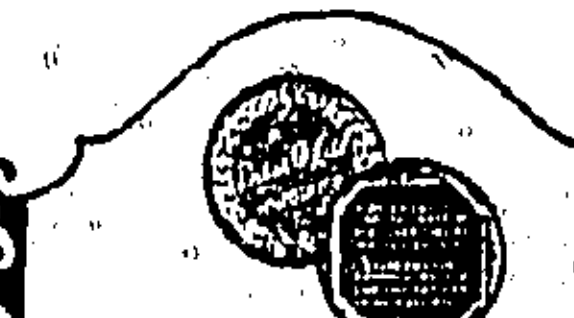
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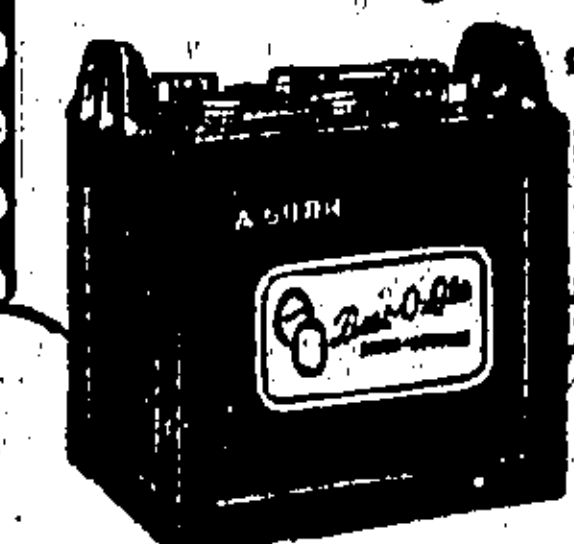
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While working conditions in some of the steel-producing departments have slightly improved, the bulk of employers are still more or less marking time until quotations in the basic sections become more settled and there is better prospect of steady deliveries. The quantity of steel available from local sources has not greatly increased, and cannot do so until the big steel-melting plants resume operations. Some of these, having suspended production at the outset of the coal stoppage, have in reserve considerable quantities of pig iron, but before they decide to re-light furnaces they wish to be certain of renewing stocks at reasonable rates. It seems unlikely that any move in this direction will be made before the new year. Meanwhile, electric furnace installations are doing something towards restoring the deficiency from open-hearth plants, though the difference in relative capacity leaves a big margin unsatisfied. Bar-iron supplies have improved with the resumption of district works. The discharge of outstanding contracts is assisted by fuel deliveries under contracts fixed before May. The heavy engineering departments are still badly in need of suitable materials, but in several directions brighter prospects are prophesied, provided costs can be kept within economic limits. Inquiries are circulating from the British Admiralty for small tools, and Colonial purchases are fairly large, but engineers are limiting orders until there are definite prospects of placing production on a wider basis. Spades and shovels, automobile tools, and railway carriage fittings are active lines.

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A Bank On What It Means.
New York, Dec. 15.

"No mean achievement" is the comment of the American Press on today's payment—the 8th half-yearly instalment—by Britain to the United States Government of \$18,586,000 interest plus \$5,000,000 principal of her war debt. It is pointed out that the British Government has now paid \$128,566,000. In a bulletin issued by the Bank of America reference is made to what is called "the far-reaching Pan-European movement aimed to pool the interests of various European nations" the better to oppose American industrial and economic competition. The bank's conclusion is: "It is too late to listen to those who still advocate a policy of cancellation of war debts or a further moderation in terms. In years to come the United States will have difficulty in holding its own against joint European efforts to regain the markets of the world."

As long as European nations are burdened with the heavy taxes necessary to provide their treasuries with the required surpluses to be paid annually to the United States these taxes will to a large extent offset the higher cost of production here and the contest may be more or less an even one.

A let-off on the part of the United States may turn it into a losing struggle.

More favourable debt settlement terms now would not bring about a better feeling towards this country. The damage has been done. The Pan-European movement is in existence, and American interests demand that there be no leniency in the present terms and conditions, as the economic fight will be hard enough as it is.

OIL CAPITAL.

London, Jan. 15.

It is understood that the Shell and Royal Dutch group are arranging the issue of \$25,000,000 4½ per cent. fifteen year gold bonds, of the Bataafsche Petroleum Maatschappij in New York, through the Dillon Read Company.—Reuter.

THE BANK OF CHINA.

Authorized Capital \$10,000,000
Paid-Up Capital \$5,000,000
Reserve Fund \$5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING.

98, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.
Reserve Fund \$5,000,000
Sinking Fund \$1,000,000
Surplus \$1,000,000

BRANCHES:

AMOI, HONGKONG, KOWLOON, SHANGHAI, Tientsin, Hankow, Canton, Peking, Harbin, Manchuria, etc.

HONGKONG BRANCH:

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Reserve Fund \$5,000,000

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BRANCHES:

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THE BANK OF CANTON,
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$10,000,000
Paid-Up Capital \$5,000,000
Reserve Fund \$5,000,000

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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK,
LIMITED.

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SUGAR IN BORNEO.

INTERESTING EXPERIMENTS
TRIED.

The Conservator of Forests, British North Borneo, in his report for the year 1925 states:—
A 56-day test was made at Semawang in making white sugar from nipa sap. Approximately 400 pounds of 97deg-99deg sugar was made. The usual difficulty was encountered with labour. The experiment, however, brought out many important phases of the manufacture of sugar from nipa sap.
The process of manufacturing nipa sugar on a commercial scale is only a few days away from being an economical method of using lime in the field is found, and where labour is plentiful and easily available.

Nipa Sugar Fuel.

The experimental plant for manufacturing motor fuel alcohol began operation this year on January 27, and ran 99 days, closing down May 5. A total of 10,854 gallons of sap were collected. The labour problem is a serious one, imported Filipino labour stayed a few weeks and then left.

If Filipino labourers with their families could be induced to settle the labour problem would be greatly alleviated.

Native labour in the past has been unsuccessful as a general rule, a few of the indigenous population at Semawang have picked up a knowledge of nipa treatment from the Filipinos and these give promise for the future.

The total amount of fuel alcohol made was 596 gallons.

Chaulmoogra Nuts.

A new species of tree producing Chaulmoogra nuts has been found in Borneo. It was first reported from the East Coast and has since been found in the Sandakan Resi-

AMERICA'S PROSPERITY.

Huge Private Foreign Loans.

GERMANY'S THRIFT.

The returns of the German savings banks show that the war and inflation fevers in Germany have now worked themselves out, and that the small man is returning to the habits of thrift which have characterized him in the past. The inflation of 1923 swallowed up the whole of the savings in the banks. By November, 1925 (one year after stabilization) a total of 1.5 milliard marks (\$75,000,000) had been again accumulated; by September, 1926, the figure was 2.7 milliard (\$135,000,000). It is still, however, far below the 1913 level of 18.3 milliard (\$915,000,000).

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong 17th January 1927

ANCIENT AND MODERN.

The church of Santa Maria della Salute on the Grand Canal, Venice, is famous as one of the finest examples of Italian Renaissance architecture. It was built to the design of Baldassare Longhena in 1631, and has doubtless been the inspiration of many buildings which have risen since that time. The entrance portal of the west front has been quoted as probably being the best example of the period in Italy.

The effective marble flooring of this church has recently been directly responsible for a new development in the design of Bell's Asbestos Rigid Rubber Tiles. It suggested a variety of designs giving the effect of cubes and stars, and these have been achieved by the use of lozenge-shaped rubber tiles.

Imitations of parquet or any similar geometrically designed floors can easily be carried out in this way, and further, the range of colours now available is very wide.

FRENCH REVENUES.

Paris, Jan. 16.

The French Treasury receipts from all sources in 1926 totalled \$9,247 millions of francs, showing an increase of \$889 millions on 1925.—Havas.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

Barley, January 16

ANOTHER INCIDENT.

Berlin, Jan. 4.

The authorities at Mayence officially protested against the alleged mistreatment of a tram conductor by a French officer. Paris reports that the French authorities ordered a detailed investigation.

WOMAN OFFICIAL'S ARREST.

Bordeaux, Jan. 5.

"L'Humanité" announces that the Secretary of the Feminine Commission of the Communist Party Suzanne Groussin, was arrested and imprisoned on a charge relating to Communist propaganda.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 17, 1927, 10.30 a.m.

Name.	Hongkong Stock Exchange	Hongkong Shareholders' Association	Private Broker- s and Bank Societ
T.T. on London	1/11 1/4	1/11 1/4	1/11 1/4
T.T. on Shanghai	79 1/4	79 1/4	79 1/4
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1110 b	1100 b	1115 s
do. London	1117 n		117 1/2 n
Chartered Bank	121 n	121 n	
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	137 n	137 n	
do. C.	113 1/2 n	113 1/2 n	
P. & O. Bank	104 b	110 n	
Bank of East Asia	84 n	80 s	76 n
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	650 b	150 s	1640 n
China Underwriters	1.45 n	1.10 l	1.20 n
North China Insurance	714 n	140 n	
Union Insurance	284 b 288 s 285	289 b	290 s
Yangtze Insurance	143 M. n	40 n	
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	200 b	200 b	
H.K. Fire Insurance	615 b	615 b	615 b
Shipping.			
Douglases	30 b	30. b	30. b
Hongkong Steamboats	25 1/2 s	25 1/2 s	45 s
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	1.10 n	24 n	1 1/2 s
Indo-China (Pref)	32 b	30 n	30 n
do. (Def.)	42 b. 40	40 n. 40	40 n
Shell Transports	121 b	106 b	108 n
Star Ferries	184 b 188 s 185	184 b	184 b
Water-boats	15 b	15 n	15 1/4 b
Refineries.			
China Sugars	22 s	21 b 22 s	21 s
Malacca Sugars	36 n	35 s	36 n
Mining.			
Benguets	1.30 n		
Kallian Mining Ad.	38/-	42/6 n	40/- n
Langkats (Combined)	325 n	25 n	25 n
do. (Single)	12 1/2 n	12 n	
Shanghai Exploration	14 1/2 n	5 n	
Shanghai Loan	18 n	8 n	
Raubs	4 1/2 n	3.40 b	3 1/2 n
Tronoh Mines	21/-	21/- b	
Ural Caspians	8/-		
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	113 n	112 1/2 b	112 1/2 b
H.K. & W. Docks	45 s	40 b 41 s	40 b
Hongkows	1165 l		170 n
New Engineerings	16 n	6 n	6 n
Shanghai Docks	1110 n	110 s	110 n
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels	750 b 75 1/2	75 s	75 s
Hongkong Lands	55 b & 1 s	55 s	55 1/4 s
Hongkong Realty	6 n	6 s	6 s
H.K. Territorial	3 s.	3 s.	3 s
Humphreys Estates	14 1/2 s	14 s	13 1/4 b
Prince's Building	80 n	87 s.	
Rural Lands	1 1/2 n		
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	T9-10 s	8 60 s	9 n
Oriental	T2-3 n	434 s	234 s
Shanghai Cottons (old)	T54 n	54 s	54 n
do. (new)	T77 n	28 s	28 n
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ices	5 n	4 s	5 n
Cements (comb.)	10 n	8.20 s	8 s
do. (old)	9 n.	734 n	6 1/2 s
do. (new)	134 b	2 n	1 1/2 s
China Buses	9 1/2 b.		
China Lights (comb.)	1334 s	1534 s	16 s
do. (old)	11 s	11 1/2 s	12 s
do. (new)	8 s	8 1/2 s	8 s
China Prov.	5 s	5 s	434 s
Dairy Farms	18 1/4 n	18.40 n	18 1/4 s
Der A. Wing	6 n	5 s	
Hongkong Amusements	16 b	15 1/2 s	15 1/2 s
H.K. Constructions	2 b	1.00 b	2 n
Hongkong Electric	59 b	59 1/2 b	59 1/2 b
H.K. Ropes (old)	10 s	10 s	9 1/2 s
do. (new)	5 b	5 s	5 s
Hongkong Tramways	22 1/4 b	22 10' b	22 n
Lane, Crawfords	8 n	7 s	7 s
Macao Electric	35 n		
Mackintosh	19 1/2 n		
Nanyang Tobaccos		9 b	
Peak Trams (old)	15 1/2 b.	15 b	15 s
do. (new)	7 1/2 n	8 n	7 1/2 s
Sinceres	9 1/2 s	9.10 b	9 s
Singapore Trams	13 s	10/- b	11 1/2 s
Taxis	2 s	1 s	75 Cts
United Asbestos			
do. (Founders)		000 n	
do. (Ordinary)	20 n	18 n	
Watsons	13 n	13 1/4 s	2 s
Wm. Powells	6 1/2 s	5 b	
H.K. Telephones	334 s	3.40 b	3 1/2 s

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MISCELLANEOUS.

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NOTICES.

HOLLAND PACIFIC TRADING CO., MACAO & HONG KONG

IN connection with the proposed voluntary liquidation of the above firm, owing to the death of Mr. J. H. van Gennep-Luhns, the sole proprietor, all persons having claims against or owing money to the firm's estate, are requested to send particulars thereof to the Macao Office before Monday, the 24th of January 1927.

Hong Kong, 14th January, 1927.

NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, beg to announce that we have just established ourselves as Importers & Exporters, Coal Contractors, Shipping Agents and General Providers. We provide launches, lighters and junks for carrying cargoes from Hong Kong to Kowloon, Canton and Wuchow; superintend the loading and unloading of same and guarantee the safe delivery of all goods entrusted to us into our own godown from which place they will be further transferred to any required destination, holding ourselves responsible for any damages that may occur. For terms and particulars please apply to our local branch in the Bank of Canton Building.

WANG LEE CO.

Hong Kong, Dec. 21, 1926.

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AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS,
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Public Auctions—

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Hong Kong, 14th January, 1927.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT NORTHERN
TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited):—

Corelaw, from Los Angeles, California.
Yuenkoshi, from Kobe.
Franelin, from New York.
Paluck, from New York.

E. V. JESSEN,

Superintendent,
Hong Kong Station, Jan. 13, 1926.

EASTERN EXTENSION
AUSTRALASIA & CHINA
TELEGRAPH CO.

List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in E. E. Telegraph Office, Hong Kong.

Brownfield H.K. Hotel, from Singapore.
Charles Watkins Post Restante, from London.
Dragon, from Bombay.
Hiproof, from Chicago.
Leebing Benhedgo, from Vancouver.
Vatmalor, from Singapore.
Wymmo, from Annandalestown.
Zawim, from Multan.

E. A. LEGGATT,

Superintendent,
Hong Kong, 18th January, 1927.

NOTICES.

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB.
TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

ENTRIES forms may now be obtained at the Pavilion. Entries CLOSE on the 29th January.

Hong Kong, 17th January, 1927.

DIOCESAN SCHOOL OLD
BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

A SOCIAL and DANCE will be held at the Diocesan School on SATURDAY, 22nd instant, at 8.30 p.m. All Old Boys and friends are invited to attend. Tickets (\$2 per head) can be obtained from the Secretary, Mr. B. C. Randall, c/o Messrs. Benjamin & Potts, Ice House Street. Applications should be sent in before WEDNESDAY, the 19th. Hong Kong, Jan. 17, 1927.

NOTICE.

THE MARRIAGE REGISTRY has been transferred from the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs to the LAND OFFICE, Supreme Court, Hong Kong.

PHILIP JACKS,
Registrar of Marriages,
The Marriage Registry
Supreme Court,
Hong Kong.
13th January, 1927.

NOTICE.

ON and after MONDAY, January 16th, 1927, the Offices of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs will be on the first floor of the New Government Building in Connaught Road Central.

E. R. HALLIFAX,
Secretary for Chinese Affairs.
Hong Kong, 8th January, 1927.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

THE DATE for the closing of entries has been POSTPONED until WEDNESDAY, 25th January, 1927, at 5 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.
Hong Kong, 14th Jan., 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ENTRIES for the Forthcoming Races close on WEDNESDAY, 25th January, 1927, at 5 p.m. and must be sent to the Secretary, c/o Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before this date.

Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club Stables, Race Course, Hong Kong Club or Linstead & Davis.

Hong Kong, 14th January, 1927.

THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. on THURSDAY, 27th January, 1927, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 14th January to THURSDAY, 27th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 6th January, 1927.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, the 28th January, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 18th January, 1927, to FRIDAY, the 28th January, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPPELL,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, January 11th 1927.

BOWLER'S FEAT.

4 WICKETS, SUCCESSIVE
DELIVERIES.

F. GOODWIN'S RECORD.

Four wickets with four successive deliveries is the bowling feat accomplished by Frank Goodwin, (the Interceptor) when playing for Kowloon C.C. in the league on Saturday.

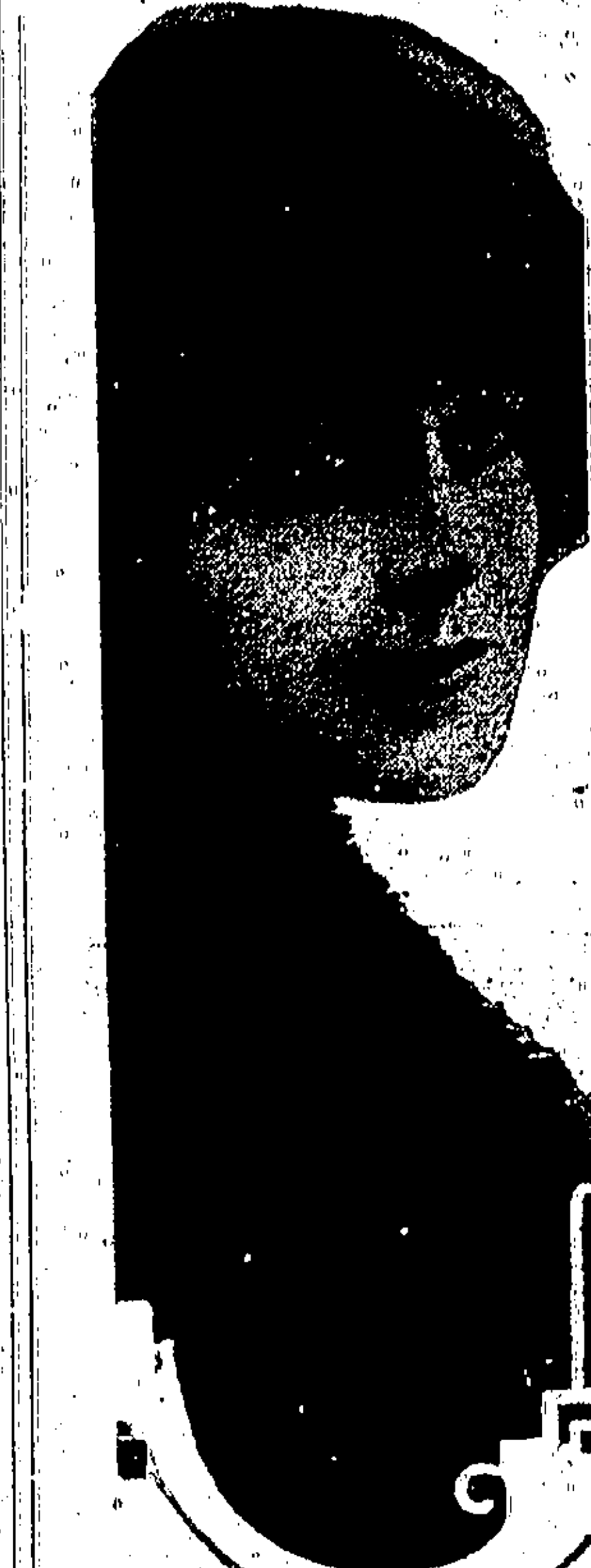
This is believed to be a record. All four victims were clean bowled.

The first three were with the last balls of one over and the fourth came with the opener of the next over.

Speaking to the assembled players and members subsequently in the K.C.C. Club house, Mr. R. E. Lindsell said that the duties of President of the Kowloon Cricket Club appeared to be rather onerous, for every time he appeared there he was expected to make a speech.

Is it a Record?

On that occasion, however he did so with the greatest pleasure. They had witnessed a jolly good and sporting match, in which the fortunes of the game fluctuated considerably. When their Chinese friends scored 52 for the loss of only two wickets they of the K.C.C. thought that they were in for a beating. Then Frank Goodwin came on the scene



Before Consuelo Vanderbilt (left) was married in 1898 to the Duke of Marlborough (upper right), her father, W. K. Vanderbilt (lower right), settled \$2,500,000 down and \$100,000 a year on her future husband. The couple were divorced after twenty-five years and recently their marriage was reported annulled by the Catholic Church on the grounds Consuelo had been forced into it. She was seventeen at the time.

and took four wickets with four consecutive balls. He could not at the moment say if that was a record in local cricket—(Voices: "Yes")—but no doubt Mr. "R. Abbott" would be able to tell them.

At any rate, for his part, he thought that it did constitute a record. (Voices: "It is"—Laughter.) It was certainly a feat on which he and every member of the K.C.C. would most heartily congratulate Mr. Goodwin. (Applause.)

Mounted Ball as Souvenir.

At the same time he must compliment the Chinese on their fine spirit of sportsmanship. In spite of Goodwin's great feat they proved very difficult to get out certainly, succeeding in scoring 123. Moreover, he had to congratulate the Chinese on their celerity in taking to the field after they were all out. (Hear, hear and applause.) By so doing they enabled the K.C.C. to get the necessary number of runs to win the match. (Applause.) In recognition of his feat that afternoon it gave him great pleasure, on behalf of the Vice-President (Mr. Ezra Abraham) to present Mr. Goodwin with the ball with which he did the trick with a replica of the three stumps, suitably mounted, and in the position they were when he laid them low. (Applause.) Mr. Goodwin had also very nearly won the bat presented to each player making a century; but he had just failed, for which Mr. Abraham was very glad. (Mr. Abraham: "Very sorry, you mean"—Laughter.) In

AT THE STAR.

"GOLDEN DREAMS"
TO-DAY.

This Western photoplay deals with the adventures of a band of cowboys while touring Europe—and not the least important of their experiences happen on the voyage across. So the entire troupe was sent to San Francisco on one of the ships that ply between California and the Orient.

Usually the trip between Los Angeles and the northern city is a most enjoyable one, for the Pacific virtually always lives up to its name and is smooth as glass. But this particular trip Father Neptune decided to make the cowboys ride the waves with the result that all except Buck Jones were most decidedly under the weather.

Of course there were various explanations of Buck's immunity—the real explanation probably lies in the fact that Buck is a navigator of sorts and spends a great deal of his spare time abroad a trim little yacht.

"The Cowboy and the Countess" is filled with dramatic as well as humorous situations. There are more than the required number of thrills per reel as the action takes the audience from the West to Europe.

Buck Jones is starred in the title role. He is supported by a particularly well chosen cast which includes Helena D'Algy, Diana Miller, Harvey Clark, Jere Austin and Fletcher Norton.



CHINESE BISHOPS.

Marseilles, Jan. 15.

The Chinese bishops, after visiting France, have sailed for China on board the "Porthos."—Reuter.

At the New Year reception at Paris, the Italian Ambassador made a speech which was much commented on, asserting that the Franco-Italian misunderstanding had been cleared up by frank explanations.

making that presentation, he trusted that Mr. Goodwin would carry away most pleasant recollections of a very sporting match. (Applause.)

His First Offence.

In response to calls for a speech Mr. Goodwin, who was received with applause, said that speech making was not in his line. He thanked the President for his kind words of congratulation and the Vice-President for his fine souvenir of a really great and sporting match. It was the first time he had done the hat trick—let alone take four wickets with four consecutive balls—and it might be the last. (Voices: "not at all"). He had to thank them all for their great outburst of congratulations, and could assure them that he would always treasure that fine souvenir of his cricketing days in the K.C.C. (Applause.) The company thereafter joined in toasting the health of Mr. Goodwin.

COMING FILMS.

MORE ABOUT "THAT'S MY
BABY."

Douglas MacLean in "That's My Baby," keeps his audience highly amused throughout the picture. His adventures with a baby not his own and future mother-in-law who dislikes him call for many hearty laughs.

MacLean has a theory that the character of a girl can be determined by her ankle. Result: when the girl he is engaged to marry jilts him on their wedding day, he turns right around and falls in love with another whose ankle indicates she is the perfect woman.

To see and talk to the girl, whose name he doesn't know, MacLean visits a charity bazaar, which she is attending. He arrives to find dozens of girls clad in Turkish costumes, their faces veiled. His attempt to identify the girl by her ankles leads to numerous embarrassing and funny complications. Incidentally he arouses the suspicions of a hard-boiled detective.

His troubles really begin when he succeeds in locating her. Her mother takes an instant dislike to him. Her father turns out to be an old business competitor of his, and his rival—there is another chap in love with the girl—adds insult to injury by presenting him with a perfectly strange baby and says he is the father of the child!

MacLean's efforts to rid himself of the youngster are blocked each time by the detective, who has decided that MacLean is trying to abandon "his child." The girl's father, in the meanwhile, develops a terrific headache, and in an effort to win over MacLean gets him a headache powder. After the old man has left for a motoring trip, MacLean learns to his horror that the powder is really poison! The drug store clerk had made a mistake.

In an effort to overtake the old man before he swallows the poison, MacLean, still burdened with the unwelcome baby, starts in hot pursuit. When the taxi breaks down, he transfers to an aeroplane. The baby releases the parachute buckle and MacLean suddenly finds himself sailing through the air. They land in a load of hay, and more laughable adventures ensue. But eventually, all ends well.

"Hands Up."

"Hands Up," with Raymond Griffith playing the leading role, will be shown here in the near future.

Raymond Griffith plays the role of the hero, a Confederate spy. His General tells him he must go west to Virginia City, the site of the famous Comstock Lode, the source of the Union's war finances, and divert the next wagon train of gold to the South.

WORLD THEATRE.

"COWBOY AND COUNTESS"
TO-DAY.

The producer of Zane Grey's story, "Golden Dreams," was confronted with a difficult problem when he planned the filming of this thrilling adventure romance.

Some of the most important scenes in the picture required wild animals, not safely confined in cages, but running loose and creating havoc. Now the resources open to producers making pictures in California include pretty nearly everything that may be wanted. But when Zane Grey's continuity called for an assortment of lions, tigers, panthers and bears numbering not less than one dozen in all, the property man was stumped. Somewhere there must be a starving circus whose manager needed money. And as a part of the circus, more likely than not there would be the wild animals needed for "Golden Dreams." So it happened.

The photographing of the story was done under Mr. Hampton's direct supervision, by Jean Hersholt, Gus Peterson and C. O. Rush. Claire Adams and Carl Gantvoort, are the featured players. Among the others in the long cast are Norris McKay, Madame Rose Dione, Audrey Chapman, Bertram Grassby, Frank Leigh, Frank Hayes, Walter Perkins, Babe London, and Mary Jane Irving.

FRENCH AIRMEN'S FEAT.

Paris, Jan. 15.

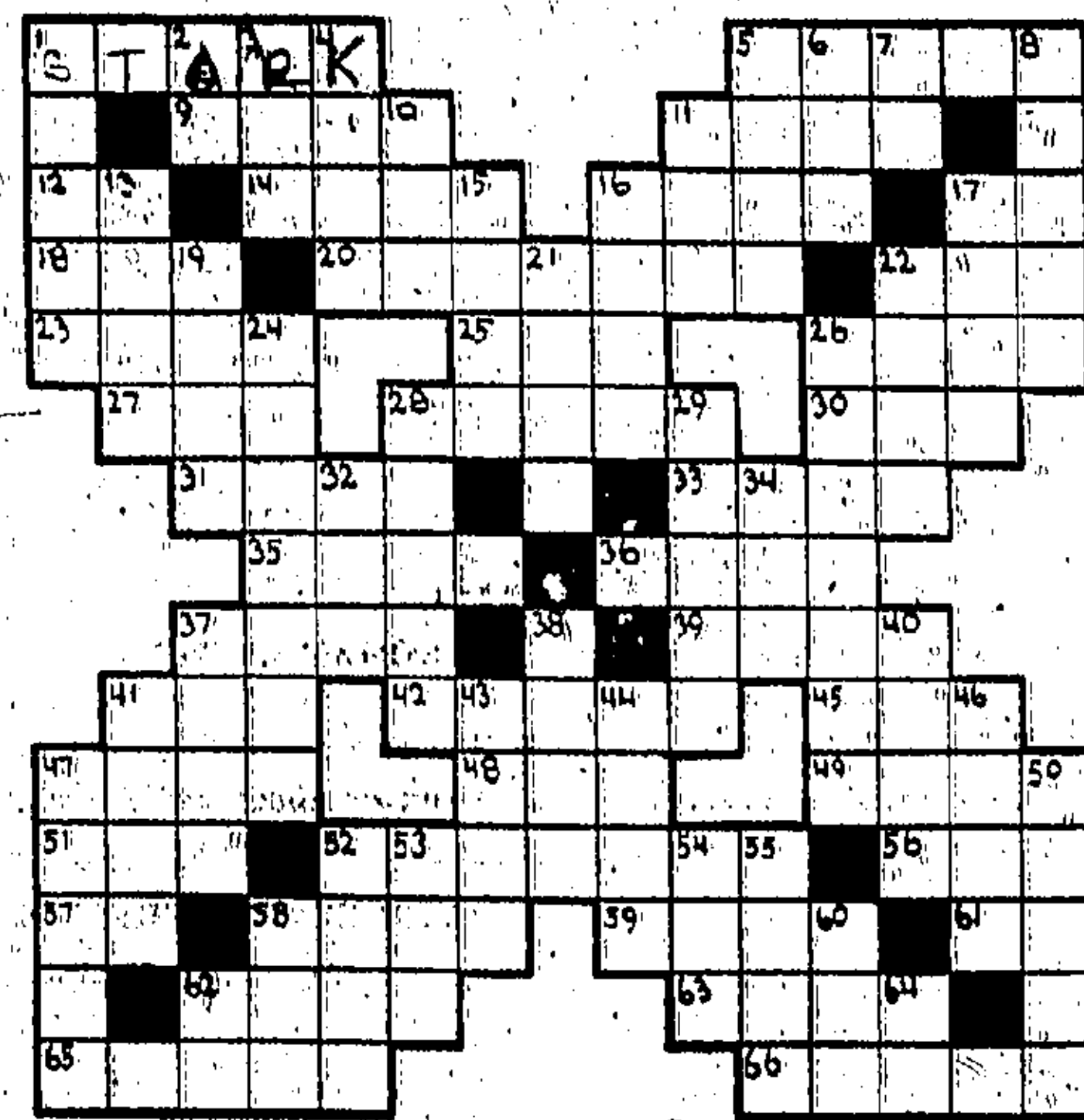
The French naval aviators, Lieut. Bernard and Warrant Officer Bougault, by waterplane motor of 420 h.p., arrived yesterday at Paris, coming back from a flight to Madagascar, and return of 35,000 kilometres in 285 hours of flight in the same plane.

They flew as follows:—Paris, Dakar, Mozambique, Madagascar. Return along Eastern Coast to Cairo, crossing the Mediterranean Sea to Marseilles and Paris—Havas.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—General Dawes has presented his share of the Nobel peace award for 1925 to the Walter P. Reuther School of International Relations, John Hopkins University—Reuter's American Service.

OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)

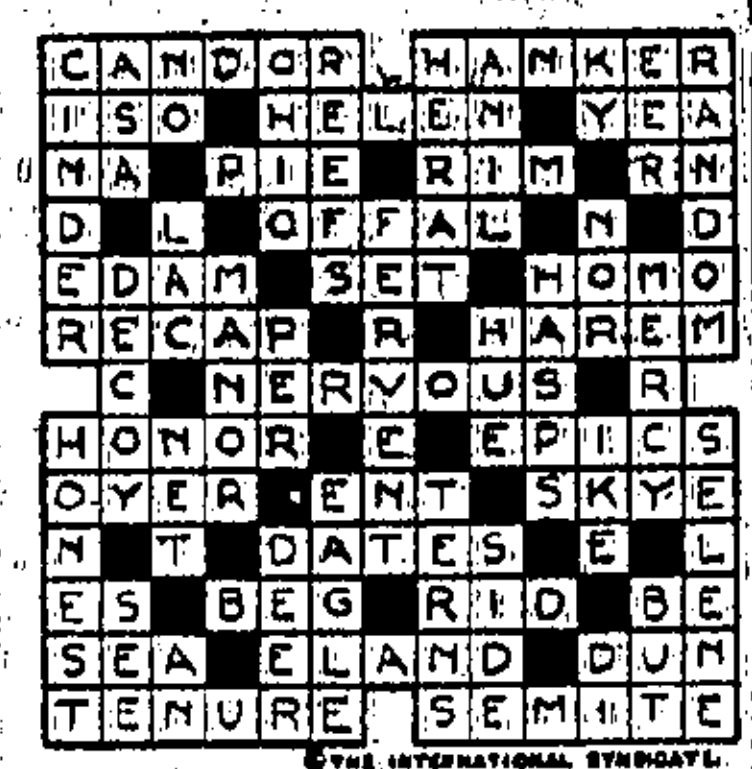


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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Heron-like bird | 51-Guided | 19-Part of head |
| 2-Design | 52-Drugs | 21-An animal |
| 3-In addition | 53-Card game | 22-System of religious observances |
| 4-Bounding line | 57-By | 23-Adapted |
| 5-River in Italy | 58-One who inherits property | 24-Southern |
| 6-Sup | 59-Implement | 25-Mum |
| 7-Weary | 61-A large oak (abbr.) | 26-Southern constellation |
| 8-Province of Canada (abbr.) | 62-Innate | 27-Point of compass (abbr.) |
| 9-Saint (Spanish) | 63-Large plant | 28-Depute |
| 10-A what-not | 64-Kind of duck | 29-Verbal |
| 11-Domestic animal | 65-Gains | 30-Fatty tissue of certain animals |
| 12-Greek god of love | | 31-Boat |
| 13-Male child | VERTICAL | 32-Rave |
| 14-A vehicle | 1-A apple | 33-A pace |
| 15-Point of compass (abbr.) | 2-Before noon (Latin-abbrev.) | 34-Flash |
| 16-Tolerate | 3-To be drowsy | 35-Place |
| 17-Diminutive suffix | 4-A Great Lake | 36-Place |
| 18-Eskimo settlement | 5-Mud | 37-Place |
| 19-Abide | 6-Peak | 38-Place |
| 20-Escape | 7-Prefix. Down | 39-Place |
| 21-Price | 8-Combining form. Milk | 40-Place |
| 22-Chopped cabbage | 9-Entomology (abbr.) | 41-Place |
| 23-A Roman emperor | 10-Tile | 42-Place |
| 24-Parasolve | 11-Suit equipment (abbr.) | 43-Place |
| 25-Longest river in France | 12-Point of compass | 44-Place |
| 26-Attitude | 13-Con. State of U. S. (abbr.) | 45-Place |
| 27-Furnish money for | 14-Deacon (abbr.) | 46-Place |
| 28-Deacon (abbr.) | 15-Moderate | 47-Place |
| 29-To garnish | | 48-Place |

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



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MEXICAN OIL RULING.

Tampico, Jan. 15.

The Mexican Government has refused to permit companies which have not recognised the new land and petroleum laws to 'drill' oil wells.

Oil experts say the decision will seriously affect the production of oil, rendering thousands idle and causing loss not only to the companies but to local commerce.

Work will be suspended in the various camps of the Mexican Oil Company and subsidiary companies.

It is estimated that 46 drills are ready to be sunk, and that this would have given employment to 3,000 workers.—Reuter's American Service.

Companies to Take Action.

New York, Jan. 16.

It is announced that injunction suits are to be filed against the Mexican Oil Companies operating in Mexico if President Calles carries

out his intention to cancel drilling permits issued since the beginning of the year of companies that have not recognised the Land and Petroleum Laws.

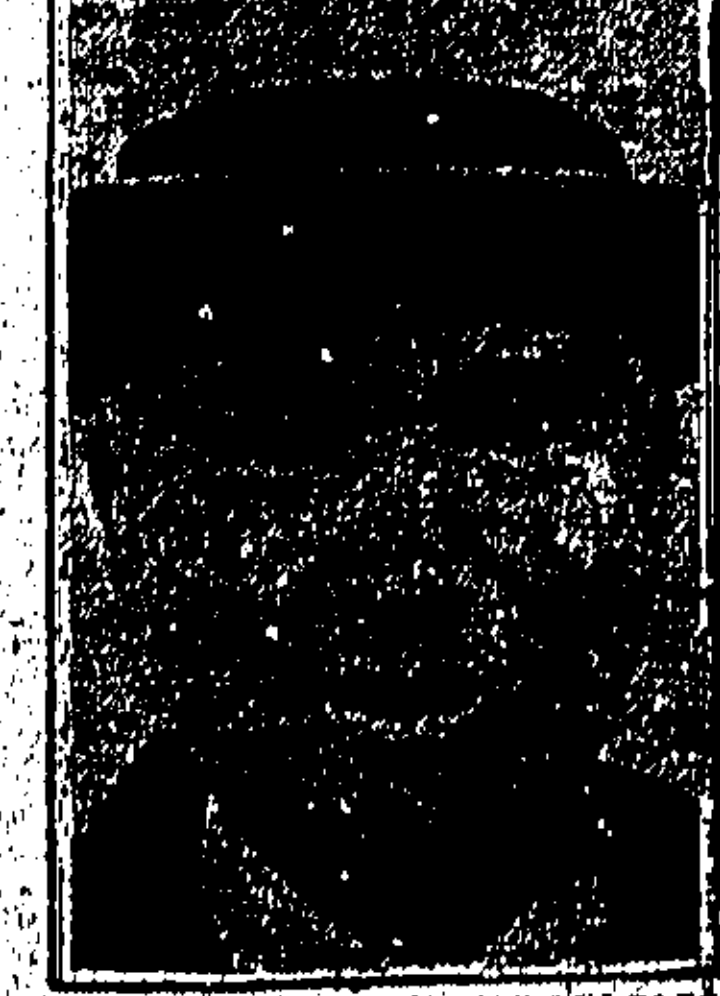
Advices from Mexico City report that there is much confusion regarding the cancellation order; and it is even added that the Department of Industry has so far not announced any such cancellation.



RICHARD BARTHELMESS



MARY HAY



JACOB GOULD SCHURMAN



HENRY D. FLETCHER

Richard Barthelmess, movie star, and Mary Hay, actress, have arranged for a Paris divorce. Jacob Gould Schurman, American Ambassador to Germany, and Henry D. Fletcher, America's chief diplomatic representative to Italy, have allied to assume their duties abroad.

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MOREA	10,018	5th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
ALPHEE	6,273	8th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
KIDDERPORE	5,334	13th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
DELTA	5,007	18th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
KALYAN	8,144	19th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
NELLORE	6,862	2nd March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MANTUA	10,002	5th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KASHGAR	6,005	12th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
NYANZA	10,005	14th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
MONGOLIA	10,005	19th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
MACEDONIA	10,005	2nd April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
DEVANHA	8,155	5th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
KARMALA	8,128	10th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
DELTA	5,007	15th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
MALWA	10,005	20th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KHYBER	8,114	25th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KHIVA	9,135	1st May	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MOREA	10,018	28th May	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull

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TALMA	10,000	14th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
SHIRALA	7,841	21st March	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ARAFURA	6,000	28th Jan.	Manila, Kolambagan, Thursday
TANDA	6,866	4th March	Island, Townsville, Brisbane,
ST. ALBANS	4,600	1st April	Sydney & Melbourne
ARAFURA	6,000	29th April	
TANDA	6,866	3rd June	
ST. ALBANS	4,600	1st July	

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DELTA	8,007	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
TALMA	10,000	27th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MANTUA	10,002	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NELLORE	6,862	5th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
SHIRALA	7,841	7th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NAGPORE	5,283	7th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TANDA	6,866	8th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MONGOLIA	10,005	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
TAKLIWA	10,000	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MACEDONIA	11,128	4th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KHYBER	8,114	5th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,600	5th March	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KARMALA	8,128	18th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MALWA	10,005	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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ARAFURA	6,000	5th April	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
NELLORE	6,862	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KHIVA	9,135	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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New York.—The Mayor's Reception Committee, to which falls the honour of receiving visiting queens, heavy-weight champions, crown princes, and English Channel swimmers, is in the throes of a financial crisis.

With a startling lack of humour the City Comptroller has refused to honour or pay bills presented by the committee for illuminated scrolls, costing 2187 each, presented to the Crown Prince of Sweden, and Captain Fried, of the steamer "President Roosevelt" (which rescued the crew of the British steamer "Antinous" last January). He has also declined to reimburse the committee the sum of 267 expended in sandwiches and coffee for citizens enrolled as honorary members of the committee, declaring that such citizens ought to pay for their own breakfasts.

He does not question the propriety of the receptions, but he objects to the taxpayer being asked to pay 48 for flashlight photographs of the mayor receiving the Crown Prince of Sweden in the afternoon chamber; 228 for gold-plated badges distributed among members of the committee; 210 for a bouquet for Mrs. Fried; or 2140 for the hire of motor-cars which were unused.

"These bills," exclaims the comptroller, "are outrageous."

EDWARD'S COFFIN.

TRANSFER TO ROYAL TOMB
NEXT EASTER.

Since the death of Queen Alexandra, the coffin of King Edward and his Consort have reposed on the altar steps of the Albert Memorial Chapel of Windsor Castle, covered by the Royal Standard.

Shortly after the remains of Queen Alexandra were brought to Windsor the coffin of King Edward was removed from the mortuary chapel to the Albert Memorial Chapel.

When the restoration of the choir of St. George's Chapel, which has been in progress for nearly six years, is completed, the coffin of King Edward and Queen Alexandra will be transferred to the Royal Tomb, which was chosen by Queen Alexandra herself.

It is on the left of the choir, and during the work of renovation has been specially protected.

It is hoped that the removal of the bodies, which take place while the court is in residence at Windsor Castle for Easter.

NO BLACK CAP.

JUDGE PASSES SENTENCE
WITHOUT IT.

Mr. Justice McCordie, in passing the death sentence at Leeds Assizes on William Jones, 22, of Halifax, a member of the Territorial Army, for the murder of his wife by shooting her, did not assume the black cap.

It is customary for judges, before passing the actual sentence of death, to put over their wigs a square of black cloth. There have been occasions when judges in sentencing girls to death for the murder of their newly born babies dispensed with this grim solemnity when it was practically certain that the prisoner would not be executed.

It was stated later that the judge's clerk had not time to put the cap on Mr. Justice McCordie's head before the sentence was pronounced.

AFTER 31 YEARS.

BURMA JUDGE MEETS "PAL"
IN COURT.

At Trim, Co. Meath, when the Assizes opened, on the names of the jurors being called by the Clerk, Benjamin P. Lentaigne, speaking from the body of the Court, applied to be exempted from serving, giving as his excuse that he was an old man and had just returned to Ireland after spending 31 years in Burma as a member of the English Bar, the last three years of which he had been a Judge.

"Why," exclaimed Mr. Justice Doyle "you are an old school pal of mine. Come up and sit beside me." Mr. Lentaigne did so. Both judges were educated at a well-known Dublin College.

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Taipei via Swatow & Shanghai	YATSANG	Sun., 23rd Jan., at 7 a.m.
Onaka via Moji & Kobe	SUISANG	Tues., 25th Jan., at 7 a.m.
Taipei via Swatow & Shanghai	FOOSANG	Wed., 26th Jan., at 8 p.m.
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Captain M. Readie manoeuvred his vessel close enough to the schooner's stern for seven men on board to jump to safety. "I would not do it again for £1,000," said Captain M. Readie. It was a hundred to one chance, and it came off.

"I decided that the only way was to pass under her stern and give the crew a chance to jump. It was tough and go; we missed the schooner by inches. I learned afterwards that a fine pointer dog was left on board. I should liked to have saved it."

"Most of the Germans were practically naked and on the point of collapse. When we mustered the survivors we were one short. It was about to turn back when the missing German, a boy, was discovered snivelling in his shirt over the fires in the stovehold."

Captain M. Readie has received a telegram of thanks from the German Embassy. The master of the "Anne Marie," Herr Kventzer, served on German destroyers in several engagements during the war.

Captain M. Readie, said they sighted the "Anne Marie" at nine o'clock on a Saturday morning, and manoeuvred alongside so closely that, despite heavy seas, the Germans were able to leap aboard the "Caribbeath."

"It was too rough even to launch our life-boats," he added.

The "Anne Marie" was water-logged, and the crew had been labouring for two days to pump the water out.

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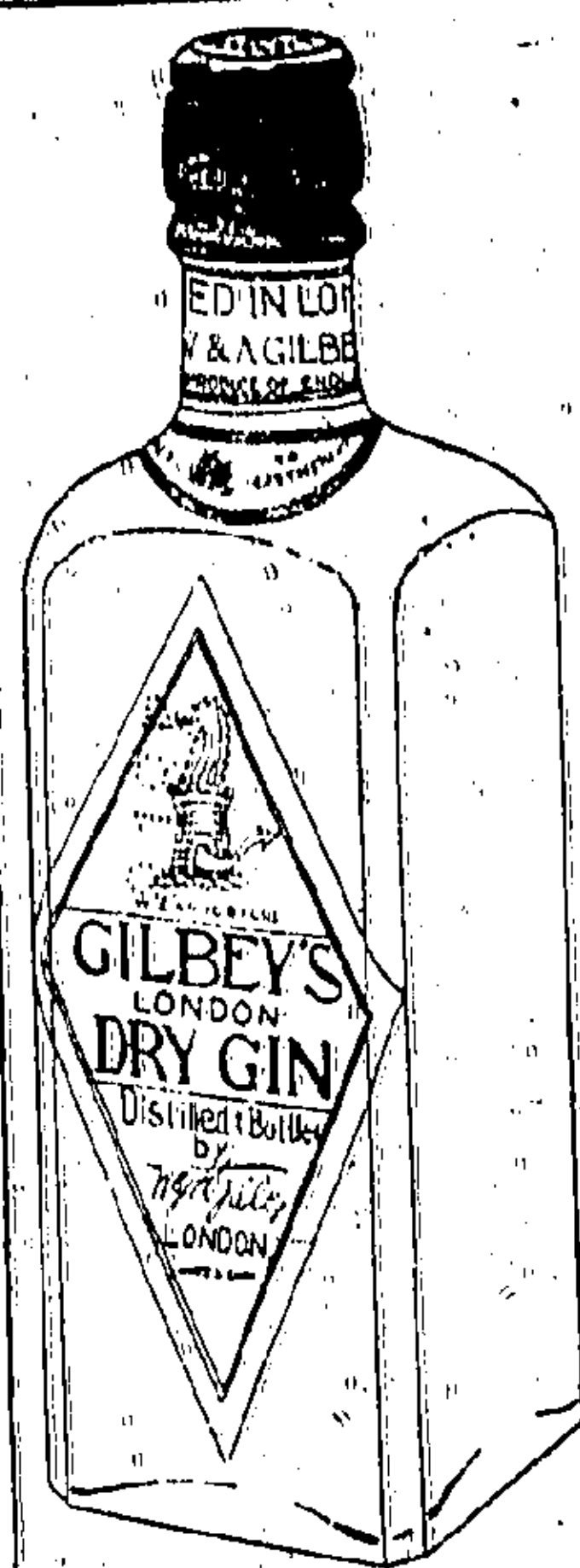
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A SENSIBLE PERSPECTIVE.

Nothing more welcome has come over the wires from London for some time than Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's warning to Canton. That the Labour ex-Prime Minister should be moved to express the opinions he does in regard to the acutest international crisis in China for years is indeed satisfactory. He mimes no words in placing the blame for the Hankow outrage on the right shoulders—those of the Canton Government. He goes further: "If," he says, "a Government uses a crowd for its own purposes, it must not be mealy-mouthed as to the consequences; if the crowd has got the upper hand, in spite of the Government's efforts, it is that Government that must shoulder the responsibility."

Whilst expressing his personal opinion that the Concessions should pass under the control of the Chinese Government—an opinion easily combated—he is sensible enough to ask: "Is that the purpose of the agitation?" And, in typical Scottish fashion he proceeds to answer that query by asking another: "If it is, why do the Japanese and French Concessions remain?" Next he cleverly unmasks the Chinese authorities in Hankow by emphasising that "when posters appeared on the walls of the British Consulate after the evacuation they appear to be not expressions of Chinese Nationalism but of anti-British hatred." It is hoped that this presentation of the facts will sink into the minds of Mr.

Ramsay MacDonald's colleagues of the extreme type. His arguments are incontrovertible!

Finally, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald rightly states that at the moment the issues are less in our hands than in those of the Canton Government," but he adds, the question remains: "Are we to be allowed to liquidate in peace?" In the latter question may be found an undercurrent of "controversy, all hinging on what he exactly means by "liquidate", but the point can be ignored for the present. But he will assuredly carry conviction when he advocates peace and hopes that the Canton Foreign Minister will play up to that policy. He shall certainly be given every possible opportunity by the British authorities both at Home and in China.

A Waiting Policy.

Both Belgium and the Netherlands have replied to the British Memorandum on China. In effect, both prefer to play a waiting game ere committing themselves to an immediate concession of all the British proposals. That is by no means tantamount to rejection. It is the policy of prudence as viewed through Belgian and Dutch eyes, and possibly it is the correct one, looking to the vast change that has come over the scene since the Memorandum was first submitted to the representatives of the Treaty Powers in Peking. Belgium is of opinion that a collective declaration of policy is at present neither opportune nor possible; moreover, however wide and liberal, it would create more distrust than satisfaction, and, in any case, give rise to erroneous interpretations. The Netherlands says "ditto" to Belgium, considering it advisable to wait until the situation becomes less involved. Even so, both Belgium and the Netherlands, in common with other Powers, recognise the great step forward that the British Memorandum represents. If anything does become of it eventually all the credit will lie with the British, whom the Chinese extremists are doing their best to harry out of China. That is in itself a powerful factor—and one that must weigh in the balance under conditions more encouraging than those existing to-day!

Our Cross-Word Puzzle Competition.

That cross-word puzzles have come to stay needs no saying. They are a source of perennial delight to thousands of people all over the world. Hong Kong residents are no exception to this rule. The "China Mail" takes pleasure, therefore, in announcing to-day a cross-word puzzle competition with a prize of \$50 every week. The terms governing the

competition are published elsewhere in this issue. They are quite simple, and there is no "catch" of any sort. Every week the sum of \$50 must be won by someone in the Colony. The prize is awarded strictly according to merit. The competition will give a new zest to the cross-word puzzle game in Hong Kong, and besides proving a source of delight to the large section of our readers who already enjoy tracking down clues, should win many new devotees to a fascinating pastime for the long winter evenings. The \$50 will be paid to someone in Hong Kong every week, and our advice to everyone who reads these lines is to go in and—three-letter word meaning succeed!

FURTHER OUTRAGES

RESIDENCES AND MISSIONS LOOTED.

Foochow, Jan. 16. Despite a promise to the Consular Body, no protection was afforded the Dominican premises at Nantai. Last night the Spanish Bishop's residence in the foreign quarter was looted; and to-day the Y.M.C.A., two mission churches and certain mission residences, were looted. Also a British subject was robbed by a mob composed largely of soldiers. Hitherto there have been no casualties. An anti-Christian mob threaten to loot the churches in the foreign quarter to-morrow.—Reuter.

Orphan Girls Abducted. Foochow, Jan. 15. Last evening a mob of students, representing the Fukien Students' Union, attacked the Spanish, Dominican, Orphanage, Vicarage and Church near the city. They drove out the Spanish sisters, abducted the Chinese orphan girls, and looted and wrecked property. The sisters are safe in the foreign quarters at Nantai. The Spanish sisters and priests, except the Bishop, are leaving the port to-day. Although forty thousand Nationalist troops occupy Foochow they did nothing to prevent the outrages.—Reuter.

"LUCKY DIP."

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL BAZAAR MOTOR CAR.

Purchasers of tickets in the motor car "lucky dip" at the St. Paul's Girls' School (building fund) bazaar, at China Building, are asked to note that they must attend, or send a deputy, to decide the ownership of the car. Numbers were placed on the tickets for checking purposes but there will be no "draw" on the basis of these numbers. On the other hand, holders of tickets must take "numbers" from the "lucky dip" at the bazaar, the person who brings out "No. 1" being the winner. This "No. 1" still remains in the "lucky dip." Buyers of tickets should, therefore, go along as soon as possible to take "a number" from the dip. It is intended to close the bazaar on Wednesday at 9 p.m.

POLISH PLOT.

Warsaw, Jan. 16. Three deputies belonging to the White Russian Peasant Party have been arrested in connection with the recent discovery of plots all over Poland against the State. The arrests were carried out without the usual Diet authorisation, raising parliamentary immunity, as alleged proofs were found that they were regularly receiving subsidies amounting to several thousand pounds sterling monthly from the Soviet Government for preparing a secession movement among the White Ruthenians. A swoop was made by the Police on the capital, and later resulted in the arrest of several hundred Communists, belonging to all classes, including students, highly placed civil servants, and wealthy businessmen. The seizure of documents at Communist headquarters, revealed the plans, which included strikes timed for the early spring.—Reuter.

\$150 RADIO PHONE TALK.

Rugby, Jan. 15. The results of first week's public operation of the London-New York Wireless Telephone are regarded as highly satisfactory. No serious interference, apart from sunset fading, has been experienced. Twenty-seven calls were made on the opening day of the service, and this number has been more than doubled on each of the six succeeding days. In no case has the Post Office had to forego its charge on account of bad reception. Several important business transactions with New York are stated to have been conducted telephonically during the week, but the longest call was a special one lasting half hour at a cost of \$150. Calls were booked yesterday from London to various other places in New York State to which the service has now been extended. An extension to provincial towns in England is expected shortly.—British Wireless Service.

PRODUCE SHOW.

COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER PROPOSALS.

NEW TERRITORIES' INTEREST

A representative attendance of village elders, Government officials and others interested in the proposal to hold an exhibition for farmers in the New Territories took place in the offices of the District Officer at Tai Po on Saturday when a Committee was formed to go into details. Various suggestions were made for the consideration of the Committee including that of holding Chinese and European sections with an English and Chinese secretary and of circularising firms inviting them to exhibit agricultural implements, fertilisers, etc.

The Committee.

Lady Ho Tung agreed to serve on the Committee. As Mr. Fraser explained that he could not accept the position, the Rev. H. R. Wells was elected Chairman. Other non-Chinese members chosen were Mr. I. Gibbs, Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. J. F. Grosz. It was also agreed to request Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin to serve, and the name of Dr. Pierce Grove, of the Kwantung, was mentioned as one likely to be able to render valuable assistance. The committee will make a study of all the important points before deciding on the date and place. It will be necessary to pick on the best time of the season for the exhibition and competitors from the Territories will post probably attend the annual Flower Show in order to gain the necessary information and experience on the preparation of exhibits.

First Meeting.

The first meeting of the Committee will be held at Lady Ho Tung's farm on Saturday, February 19. At Saturday's meeting Mr. Fraser, the District Officer, North, presided and was supported by Lady Ho Tung, the Rev. H. R. Wells, Mr. H. Green, the Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, Mrs. G. P. de Martin, Mr. Tregillus, Mr. Gerrard, A.S.E., New Territories, Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. I. Gibbs, Mr. Stapleton, and Mrs. J. F. Grosz.

NAVY GUNS' RANGE.

New York, Jan. 15.

Mr. Alanson B. Houghton, Ambassador at London, has sailed for Britain. He is expected to discuss with the British Government the question of the elevation of the guns of American battleships "so as to be on an equality with those of Britain and Japan." The present range of American guns is declared to be 17,000 yards compared with 30,000 yards of foreign ships of the same class. It appears that Congress passed the elevation legislation four years ago. Britain objected to it as contrary to the spirit of the Washington arms agreement. Mr. Hughes, then Secretary of State, concurred with the objection and the measure was repealed. It is not thought Japan will object as she did not object when the previous measure was passed.—Reuter's American Service.

Passage Cancelled.

New York, Jan. 15. Mr. Houghton has not sailed having cancelled his passage shortly before the liner's departure. No explanation for this step is given. Mrs. Houghton and their daughters, and Mr. Houghton's secretary duly sailed.—Reuter's American Service.

Explanation.

New York, Jan. 15. It was subsequently explained that Mr. Houghton is remaining in order to be with his brother Arthur, who is ill in a hotel in New York. The Ambassador denies that Nicaraguan or Mexican matters have anything to do with the postponement of his departure.—Reuter's American Service.

SCOPES TRIAL ECHO.

New York, Jan. 16.

The notable trial in July, 1925, when John Scopes was fined \$100 and costs for teaching evolution in a local high school was recalled in an appeal from the decision of the Supreme Court of Nashville, which while finding, with one dissentient that the anti-evolution statute under which Scopes was convicted was constitutional, agreed that the verdict should be quashed as a fine exceeding \$50 must be imposed by a jury and not by a judge. Scopes' lawyer announced the appeal would be carried to the United States Supreme Court, to decide whether any sect or creed may impose a dogmatic opinion on the educational system of the State.—Reuter's American Service.

30-MILE HIKE.

A WALK ROUND THE NEW TERRITORIES.

The announcement that a party of well-known local walking enthusiasts had planned a walk round the New Territories—a distance of fifty-nine miles—attracted quite a number of their friends and supporters to the Star Ferry pier at mid-night on Saturday, when, aided by a bright moon, they set out on their journey.

Those participating in the walk were the following: Div. Insp. Peter Grant, Senior Revenue Officer G. Watt, Sanitary Inspector Alec Taylor, Sgt. Sword, and Mr. J. Fraser of the P.W.D. Accompanied by a coolie carrying the necessary provisions, the party set out by way of Castle Peak, a good, steady pace being maintained until they reached Lokmachau, shortly after noon yesterday. It was then decided that on account of blistered feet it would be inexpedient to continue the walk. The party thereupon returned by motorbus, after having completed just over thirty miles.

"MAN MAN."

ALL A SIKH COULD SAY.

Some laughter was caused in Mr. Lindsell's Court at the Central Magistrate's morning when a Sikh constable, admitting that he did not possess a Chinese certificate, claimed to have a fair knowledge of the Chinese language.

The case was one of obstruction, and in the course of his evidence the Sikh constable said that one of the defendants had told him that he had to wait for his master's instructions before moving goods from the foot-path.

Asked to repeat the conversation in Chinese, witness admitted his inability to do so.

"It strikes me," retorted Mr. Lindsell, "that all the Chinese you know is 'man man' and you come into Court and tell this story about what you thought the man said. (Laughter.)"

The three defendants were discharged.

CENTRAL AMERICA.

Washington, Jan. 15.

Admiral Latimer has notified the State Department that he has withdrawn from Laceda (Honduras) the warship he sent there last month for the protection of foreigners it being no longer required.—Reuter's American Service.

President Diaz's Offer.

Washington, Jan. 16. The Nicaraguan Legation has published President Diaz's latest offer to the dissident Nicaraguan Liberals, of which the outstanding feature is a proposal to hold an election for the Presidency in 1928 under United States supervision. He further suggests that he will complete his current term of office with the Liberals filling a number of important executive and judicial posts.—Reuter's American Service.

DISARMAMENT.

Geneva, Jan. 16.

The United States' charge d'affaires at Berne has sent a letter to the League Secretariat to the effect that the United States is shortly forwarding its observations on the report of the mixed committee on disarmament.

Meanwhile the charge d'affaires intimates the United States has definitely decided not to accept the committee's conclusions, on purely technical grounds.—Reuter.

A SIMPLE BURIAL.

London, Jan. 6.

The funeral of the British victims of the Zurs avalanche was held on Wednesday amid simple but impressive surroundings. A continuous fall of snow fell on the coffins, which were carried on horse sleighs. The mourners were on skis.

GERMAN POLITICS.

Berlin, Jan. 15.

President Hindenburg has commissioned Doctor Marx to negotiate with different parties with a view to the formation of a coalition cabinet.—Reuter.

A Chinese residing at 268 Des Voeux Road Central has reported to the Police that between one and five o'clock yesterday morning thieves broke into his room and made off with jewellery and clothing to the value of \$1,572.

Managua, Jan. 15.—The United States army aeroplane flying round South America have arrived. They were enthusiastically received, and the commander of the flight presented President Diaz with a letter of greeting from President Coolidge.—Reuter's American Service.

Mr. Saizoo Saburi, Chief of the Treaty Division of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in Tokyo, who has been in Canton during the last few days on an official visit, has been to Whampoa and has been entertained both by the Japanese Consul-General in Canton and by the Provincial Government.

GREAT WAR FILM.

"The Big Parade" At The Queen's.

MUSIC AND THE MOVIES.

One came away from the Queen's Theatre yesterday evening feeling that one had had a thoroughly satisfying evening's entertainment. It is certainly difficult to understand the real cause of the "big noise" that the first London presentation of the film evoked, but its success at the Tivoli—London's latest and largest house—showed quite clearly that for once the London film-going public disagreed with the London film critic.

That Hong Kong cinema-goers share the views of their friends in the Metropolis was evident by the crowded "houses" which were the order of the day at the Queen's yesterday, the "Home Full" notices being displayed many hours before the 6 and 9.15 performances.

Nor was the evening's entertainment confined to the film alone, for the music accompaniment, mostly ably rendered by the Queen's Orchestra under Maestro Grovini, was of the highest order. The well-known strains of the martial music brought back vivid memories of days long since—it is indeed difficult to realize that nearly a decade has passed since those days. Most musical folk will agree that of all his efforts to brighten up this little Colony of ours, nothing is more praiseworthy than Mr. Ray's policy of providing music, not only of the highest standard, but music appropriate to the pictures. As far as the Queen's is concerned, it is evident that the day of a stock repertoire of classics, semi-classics and modern jazz numbers, rotated haphazardly regardless of screen-situations are past. Film "fans" who chance to have some appreciation of music may rest assured that nowadays as much trouble is being taken over the musical side of the entertainment as is taken in the matter of selecting the actual pictures for Hong Kong's discriminating film enthusiasts.

So much for the music! The picture itself is a connected story from first to last, and one which will not fail to arrest the attention right through. Mr. C. S. Sewell's description of it being "tremendous yet human, powerful but tender, forceful at the same time sympathetic and dramatic as well as humorous, give perhaps the best description. One went to the theatre under the impression that one would see a spectacular picture with one, and only one, aim, to tell the world how America won the Great War. One came away feeling that one had seen one of the most realistic picturizations of the great conflict that has yet been screened in the Colony.

A great picture this—one that should be seen by all. Can one say more?

HARD TIMES.

HAWKERS AND LICENCE FEES.

"You've got a licence, and there's no earthly reason why you shouldn't have renewed it," said Mr. Lindsey to an elderly hawker at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Det. Sgt. Nolloth informed his Worship that the Police had had a petition from some of the older hawkers stating that owing to hard times they had been unable to save the necessary \$24 for renewal of their licences.

His Worship: Well in that case, the fine will only be \$2, but you must understand that you are not allowed to hawk without a licence.

ESPERANTO PIONEER.

With the avowed object of collecting spiritual material for his profession as an actor and poet and also to propagate Esperanto as the universal language, Edmund Zschelle, a German who is making a circuit of the globe on foot has arrived in Hong Kong.

Mr. Zschelle, who started from Leipzig on August 1, 1923, has now covered half of his intended circuit, the whole of which he has estimated will take him seven years. One of the aims that he has set himself is the making of Esperanto universal. Esperanto, he says "is not a theory but a living language, easy to learn, beautiful in tone and having a neutral basis." In the furtherance of his aim, the world traveller whilst depending to some extent on the selling of cards detailing the facts of his trip, is also prepared to do any sort of manual labour.

During his travels Mr. Zschelle has passed through Germany, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, Italy, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria, Turkey, Greece, Egypt, Sudan, Sumatra, (India, back to Suez), Arabia, Palestine, Syria, Anatolia, Caucasus, Armenia, Persia, (Russia and Siberia by train), Manchuria, China, Japan.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

TWO "HAT TRICKS" ON SATURDAY.

CHAMPIONSHIP POSITIONS.

Two out of six league cricket matches on Saturday were left drawn.

A. E. Lacey of the Police performed the "hat trick" as did F. Goodwin (who took a fourth successive wicket with the first ball of the next over) for Kowloon.

Craigengower lost to the Gunners in the senior league by one run.

In the senior section, Kowloon C.C. and the Royal Artillery secured victories at the expense of Chinese R.C. and Craigengower C.C. respectively, while the other two matches (Hong Kong C.C. v. Royal Navy and University v. Civil Service C.C.) were left drawn.

The Respective Leaders.

As Civil Service (the leaders)

only drew, Kowloon got closer up to them, the top clubs now standing—

P.W.D. L. Pte.

Civil Service 4 0 0 14

Kowloon 4 0 0 14

Indians 5 3 1 10

The four leading teams in the

junior section were engaged. By

defeating the Recoire, the Indian

R.C. 2nd XI are now at the head

of this division. The Police R.C.

(who also won their match

against the Royal Army Ordnance

Corps) have the same number of

points (13 each) but have played

one match more. Recoire

fall from joint first place to third

position.

Division I.

HONG KONG C.C. v. NAVY.

On their own ground, the Hong Kong C.C. drew with Royal Navy.

Scores:—

Hong Kong C.C.

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The total value of the goods imported into Australia during the month of October totalled £14,320,998. The exports of Australian produce amounted to £14,506,812, and other produce £282,183.

Percy Mather, of Fleetwood, England, who has been doing missionary work in the heart of China, never saw a white woman for sixteen years, and until he arrived here, knew nothing of moving pictures and aeroplanes, excepting what he had learned from pictures and books.

Following the discovery of a quantity of arms and ammunition, which included three rifles, a revolver and an automatic, the master of the junk on which the contraband was concealed has been detained by the Police pending investigation. The seizure was made whilst the boat was lying moored near the Lanchuk oil installation.

Gen. Li Pao-chang, Commissioner of Defence for the Shanghai and Woosung Districts, has issued in order that all hand-carts, motor lorries and all wheel-barrows which pass through the Chinese City must undergo a strict search for fear that they should be carrying munitions for the enemy.

The home papers have recorded the death early in December, at Penge, of Mr. Louis Zdzienicki, aged 81. He was the second son of the late Ignatius Gabriel Zdzienicki, a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Polish army, and a grandson of the late Captain Brooke, of the Mercantile Marine, and was for some years on the Giant Causeway sailing ship. Deceased was present when the "London" went down in the Bay of Biscay, in 1864.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Amery, in reply to Mr. Penny, said that the Colonies not possessing responsible government were in widely varying stages of development. There were many cases in which, for many years to come, it would not be practicable or desirable to provide for a majority of unofficial representatives in the Legislative Councils. Constitutional changes made in the last few years had resulted in the grant of a considerable measure of representative institutions to several Colonies, and it did not appear that at the moment there was any instance in which a further extension of such institutions was desirable.

Miss Kenny, an Australian lady staying at a Singapore hotel, has reported to the police the loss of about \$100 from a box in her room. The keys of the box were apparently taken from a hiding place in the room.



Elections in Hungary gave Count Stephen Bethlen, Premier, a seven-eighths majority in Parliament and a control exercised by no other administration in Europe.

The question of a flag for Irish Free State shipping on the high seas has been deferred, and may not come up for consideration until the next meeting of the Imperial Conference three years hence. Ships in Free State ports or territorial waters can fly the Free State flag.

A young European named Mr. Bamber, has died in the Batu Gajah hospital. F.M.S. He was 27 years of age. He was an ex-Serviceman and came out to Malaya after the War, as a planter, but lost his work in the slump. Since then he had a precarious existence and died in extreme poverty.

It is understood that the Admiralty will hand over to the Indian Government three sloops of the Flower class to form the nucleus of the new Royal Indian Navy. These vessels will be used for training personnel and also for marine surveying.

More than 800 applications have been received for the insignia or badge that knights bachelor who belong to no order are now permitted to wear, and the first of the insignia have been distributed. It is likely that the majority of recipients will be disappointed with the insignia, for which they are charged 27s. Oval-shaped, it is nearly 4in. in length and just over 2in. in width. It weighs 5oz. and is made of silver-gilt, the silver being of the kind used for pre-war coinage. The manager of a firm of London jewellers, after examining one of the first insignia to be received, said such an article could easily be produced for 23 or 24.

"Epic fight with pirates" is the heading given to the photographs on the front page of the "Daily Mirror" of Dec. 15 showing Mr. T. P. Beatty, the chief officer, and Mr. W. Orr, the second officer of the "Summing." A second photograph shows a corner of the "Summing's" saloon after the fire. As showing the interest aroused by the "Summing" exploit at Home, it is worth noting that the only other photograph on the front page is one of Mrs. Christie, the novelist, who had been missing and whose discovery at a Harrogate Hotel the previous day was the sensation of the kingdom.

In the unavoidable absence of Mr. F. J. Bryant, of Ipoh, Mr. J. R. Taylor, St. Andrew's School, presided at a dinner of Old Marlburians given at the Europe Hotel, Singapore, in honour of the Bishop of London. Among those present, in addition to the Rt. Hon. and Rt. Rev. W. H. Winnington Ingram, were the Bishop of Singapore, Major Boutflower, Lieut. Armistead, Messrs. H. T. Clarkson, J. Duncan Roberts, C. E. South, Vaughan Jones, Dr. Kaevel, G. Morris, C. E. H. Jacobs, R. E. Jackson, E. Winington Ingram, and H. Tatham. The loyal toasts were honoured by the Bishop of Singapore, who proposed the School, the chairman, responding, "Our Guest" was submitted from the chair and acknowledged by the Bishop of London.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. W. Milne, of the City S.S. Line (Shanghai office) arrived in Hong Kong during the week-end on the "President Madison."

The Rev. L. W. Faucett of St. John's, University, Shanghai, came down on the "President Madison," en route for Manila by the same boat.

Going on to Singapore on business, Mr. C. J. Baker of the American Trading Co. passed through the Colony on the "President Madison," bound for Manila.

On Saturday the "Empress of Russia" took away a large number of passengers for Manila including General and Mrs. W. C. Anderson and Captain A. Gluckman.

Mr. Kan Yuk-kai, chief manager of the Canton Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co. Ltd. left Hong Kong for Shanghai yesterday on the "President Cleveland," his party including several others.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Bayes were in Hong Kong during the week-end. They are travelling round the world and went on to Manila on the "President Madison." Mr. Bayes is vice-president of the Harrison Shoe Co. of St. Louis.

After coming to Hong Kong to meet his homeward bound boat, the American Minister to Siam, Mr. William Russell, sailed yesterday on the "President Cleveland," with Miss Virginia and Master William Russell, Jr. They came here from Bangkok prior to leaving.

Mr. P. H. Suckling, manager in Shanghai of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd. left Hong Kong yesterday on the "President Cleveland" after a stay of a few months. Mr. Suckling has been down on business reasons and is now returning to Shanghai.

Following were prizewinners at the Fancy Dress Carnival dance held at the Hotel Savoy on Friday night in aid of the Ministering Children's League: Ladies:—1st, The Harley Queen, Miss Lily Spanton; 2nd, The Gipsy, Miss E. Long; Gentlemen:—1st, "Three O'Clock in the Morning," Mr. Jack Greenham; 2nd, "The Coolie," Lady and Baby, Mr. Charles Jones. The spotlight prize was won by Mrs. W. Osbourne and Mr. Percy. Lady Tyrwhitt presented the awards to the lucky winners.

MILITARY WEDDING.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday afternoon, the parties being Miss Gwen North and Capt. V. R. Wright-Neville.

The Rev. G. R. Lindsay officiated. The bride, who was given away by Lt. Col. V. Coates, was attired in a dress of white charmeuse and georgette.



This is Cardinal Vannutelli, dean of the College of Cardinals and oldest living member of the Papal government. This photograph was in Rome on his ninetieth birthday, December 5.

Gettis embroidered with crystal beads and carried a bouquet of white roses and pink sweet peas. Her attendants were attired in pale pink and pale blue georgette with hats to match.

The matron of honour was Mrs. B. Brown. Capt. Hawthorn was best man. After the ceremony a reception was held at the Officers' Mess, 5/2, Fungshui Bazaar.

Mr. J. F. McKeon arrived in Hong Kong on the "President Madison." He is attorney for the Illinois Central Railway and is here on business.

Among the round-the-world tourists who passed through Hong Kong on the "President Madison" were Mr. G. D. Krounberg, Mr. L. H. Simon, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Delaney.

Three of the staff of the University of Southern California passed through Hong Kong during the week-end on the "President Madison," bound for Manila. They are Dr. J. G. Hill, the Rev. E. D. Hoffman and Dr. R. D. Hunt.

Among the passengers on the "Suwa Maru" when she sailed from Hong Kong on Saturday for London (via Singapore and ports) were Captain A. Brown, Dr. Yeo Kok-cheang, the Rev. E. H. Arnold, Captain the Rev. and Mrs. Hudspeth, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Ki.

Mr. F. L. Worchester (the son of Dean Worchester, of Massachusetts) is returning to Manila by the "President Madison." He will go on to Zamboanga where he is connected with the Copra Milling Co. His mother, Mrs. D. C. Worchester and her sister, Mrs. R. P. Strong, are travelling with him.

Among the passengers who landed at Hong Kong from the "President Madison" were Mrs. W. O. Maxwell (a buyer for a San Francisco wholesale house), Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Robson (of Toronto, touring the world), Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shaeffer, Miss Mary and Mr. J. B. Shaeffer (who are also going round the world).

Sailing yesterday for San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan, the "President Cleveland" took away a large number of passengers from Hong Kong, both first-class and steerage. Among those who sailed from this port were Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Merrill and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ford and Miss Alice Ford, Baron A. Gezen Waldek, Dr. D. Kwok, Mr. Ho Sai-tek, Mr. A. F. Fernandes, Mr. J. N. Underwood, Mr. W. B. Tyler, Mr. J. S. Gubbay.

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WON BY A CANADIAN SWIMMER.

"CHANNEL" MEN FILL.

Point Vincent (Cal.), Jan. 16. The seventeen-year-old Toronto swimmer George Young, won the 22 miles race in the time of 16 hours and 45 minutes. Sullivan and Teth, who both crossed the English Channel, gave up early.

Miss Chantelle Barrett retired after fourteen miles.—Reuter's American Service.

Santa Catalina Island (Cal.), Jan. 15.

One hundred and two swimmers, including thirteen women, plunged into the breakers this morning in an attempt to swim 22 miles to the mainland for a prize of \$5,000.

If a man wins, \$5,000 awaits the first woman to accomplish the feat.—Reuter's American Service.

HOME SOCCER.

LEAGUE MATCHES PLAYED ON SATURDAY.

IN THE SCOTTISH CUP.

London, Jan. 15. Principal soccer matches played to-day (home team given first) resulted:

Scottish Cup (1st Round).
Buckie Thistle 2, Fraserburgh 1.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aston Villa 1, Newcastle 2.
Blackburn 3, Birmingham 2.
Bolton 3, Leeds 0.
Cardiff 0, Burnley 0.
Derby 0, Arsenal 2.
Everton 1, Tottenham 2.
Huddersfield 3, Bury 1.
Leicester 3, West Ham 0.
Manchester United 0, Liverpool 1.
Sheffield 2, Wednesday 1.
Sunderland 4, West Bromwich 1.

Division II.

Blackpool 2, Notts Forest 2.
Clapton Orient 1, Preston N.E. 1.
Fulham 2, Manchester City 5.
Gillingham 1, Barnsley 0.
Middlesbrough 0, Chelsea 0.
Notts County 4, South Shields 1.
Oldham 3, Darlington 2.
Port Vale 0, Bradford City 0.
Reading 3, Swansea 0.
Southampton 0, Portsmouth 2.
Wolverhampton 5, Hull 2.

Division III (South).

Bournemouth 3, Abertawe 0.
Brighton 1, Brentford 1.
Bristol City 9, Gillingham 4.
Charlton 2, Watford 1.
Luton 1, Bristol Rovers 1.
Merthyr 3, Exeter 3.
Northampton 2, Coventry 1.
Norwich 0, Millwall 2.
Plymouth 4, Newport 1.
Queen's Park Rangers 0, Crystal Palace 2.

Division III (North).

Ashington 2, New Brighton 3.
Barrow 1, Hartlepool 3.
Bradford 3, Stoke 0.
Chesterfield 3, Wrexham 3.
Crewe 2, Rotherham 2.
Nelson 4, Wigan 0.
Southport 2, Lincoln 3.
Stockport 1, Huddersfield 3.
Tottenham 2, Accrington 1.
Tranmere 8, Durham 3.
Walsall 8, Doncaster 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aberdeen 3, Falkirk 0.
Airdrieonians 3, Dundee 1.
Celtic 7, Clyde 0.
Dundee United 0, Cowdenbeath 2.
Hearts 3, Morton 0.
Motherwell 1, Rangers 4.
Partick 2, Hamilton 3.
St. Johnstone 3, Kilmarnock 3.
St. Mirren 3, Hibernians 1.—Reuter.

HOME RUGGER.

ENGLAND BEATS WALES AT TWICKENHAM.

TWO PENALTY GOALS.

London, Jan. 15.

In fine weather and before 40,000 spectators England beat Wales in the international rugby match at Twickenham by 11 points to 9.

The crowd included many thousands of Welshmen wearing leeks and daffodils, and singing the usual patriotic songs while waiting for the start. One tied a leek on the top of a goal post.

England pressed from the start. L. J. Corbett scored a try for England after six minutes' play. He took the kick himself and failed to convert, England thus leading by 3 points.

A quarter of an hour later Rowe Harding scored an unconverted try for Wales, making the score three points all.

Nine minutes later Andrews scored another try for Wales, but Stanbury replied with a penalty goal for England making the score 6 points all.

Then two minutes before the interval Corbett scored another try which Stanbury converted, giving

POINT-TO-POINT.

FANLING HUNT & MOUNTED INFANTRY.

USUAL NUMBER OF SPILLS.

Yesterday's point-to-point race at Fanling was attended by the usual number of spills, with Mr. A. H. Potts being first home on Craigavad. Mr. Potts therefore won the cup presented by the Mounted Infantry Company of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps. The cup, presented by Lieut. H. C. Macnamara, the officer commanding, for the first Mounted Infantryman home, was won by Mr. J. F. Pym.

The distance was nearer 5 miles than 4. Starting from the top of Cone Top Hill, the field of 24 strung out over the country, with the finish at the Kwai Tsang race-course, after negotiating the jump.

Mr. Potts gained considerable advantage by keeping to high ground between points 2 and 3. Mr. L. Reidy came in from a tangent at the finish but had the misfortune to be unseated. He eventually finished second. Mr. Pym also had a fall and lost second place when his pony refused a jump. Mr. J. K. Bousfield was fourth.

Boy Finishes Seventh.

Master Burgess Fenlon, the little son of Mrs. R. J. Paterson, did extremely well to finish seventh.

The field comprised:—
Mr. A. H. Potts (Craigavad) 1st; Mr. L. Reidy (Newgill) 2nd; Mr. J. F. Pym (Two Pairs) 3rd; Mr. J. K. Bousfield 4th; and Messrs. Hayley, Bell, Macnamara, H. M. Mans, Orr, Ogilvie, MacIntyre, Thompson, T. C. T. Beck, Watson, Dr. J. C. Macgregor, J. Macdonald, Howard, L. P. Kibb, Simpson, McCourtney, Wright, Roberts, Brooks, Fenlon and A. N. Lucey.

About a hundred were present in the Hunters' Arms when Lieut. Macnamara addressed the gathering and Mrs. R. J. Paterson presented the prizes. Mr. Macnamara referred to the absence of the Joint Masters of the Fanling Hunt, Mr. H. Birkett, having gone home on health reasons and Dr. F. Pierce Grove being away on leave.

YACHT CLUB.

EIGHTH CHAMPIONSHIP RACES.

The eighth championship races (of the season) of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club were held on Saturday afternoon.

The courses were:—Handicap Class (9 1/2 miles) from Club to Lyman Beacon, Channel Rocks, Cust Rock buoy, mark on Club line, Channel Rocks, finish at Club. Other classes (6 miles) from Club to Lyman Beacon, Channel Rocks, Cust Rock buoy, finish at Club.

In the tabulated results given below it will be seen that the positions on corrected time (that is, according to handicap) are just the same as those according to finishing times (in which order they are placed below).

Handicap Class.

Yacht	Corrected	Corrected
Rolla	5:01.43	5:01.43
Dorothea	5:04.30	5:04.30
Diana	5:03.53	5:03.53
Calcutta	5:03.53	5:03.53
La Lima	5:03.53	5:03.53
Argalla	5:03.53	5:03.53
It did not finish.		

Gulls & One Design.

Yacht	Corrected	Corrected
Pierrette	5:04.33	5:00.33
Alisa	5:06.17	5:05.17
Daphne	5:15.53	5:15.53
Haleyson	5:17.29	5:17.29
Thecla	5:06.80	5:06.80
Gael	5:06.20	5:06.20
Joan	5:12.24	5:07.34

Heyward Hays Class.

Yacht	Corrected	Corrected
Why Wonder?	5:16.32	5:16.32
Lola	5:41.04	5:37.04
Boojum	5:41.12	5:41.12
Blenheim	5:58.21	5:58.21
Zephyr	5:05.02	5:03.32
Adèle	5:06.41	5:06.41
Adèle did not finish.		

4th Cruiser, Championship.

"La Cigale" did the best time and "U. and I." was a good second in the fourth championship cruiser race of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club held yesterday, but "Feathers" won on handicap with "Norseman" an easy second.

The race was to Waglan (port), distance 2 1/2 miles, on B handicap. In the result given below, the order according to handicap is given in parenthesis and the last column denotes points gained to date:—

Yacht	Handicap	Corrected	Points
La Cigale (6th)	2:27.34	2:27.34	24
U. and I. (3rd)	2:34.06	2:03.36	27
Feathers (1st)	2:34.43	1:49.13	25
Coquette (4th)	2:37.24	2:07.29	19
Norseman (2nd)	2:59.36	1:52.21	12
Brenda	did not finish		0
Isis	did not finish		0
Queen Bee	did not start		0

England the lead at half time by eleven points to six.

The second half was strenuously fought out, the Welsh forwards being magnificent in scrummaging and tackling. The English defenses were equal to the test but after half an hour Wales scored a penalty goal for Wales, amidst tremendous enthusiasm.

The Welsh was most desperate, both lines having narrow escapes, the match ending with England winning by 11 points (a goal, a penalty goal and a try) to Wales's 6 points (a penalty goal and a try).—Reuter.

SOCCER "ROW."

AND FIVE 2 GOALS TO NIL VICTORIES.

LOCAL LEAGUE FEATURES.

Play on St. Joseph's College ground on Saturday afternoon had to be suspended for a time owing to encroachment of spectators and a "row" nearly spread to the field through unruly crowds almost getting out of hand.

This latter incident occurred in the match in which St. Joseph's Reserves defeated the Chinese Athletic "A" team in section B of division II and both teams were in the running for the championship.

Five of the ten fixtures ended in scores of two goals to nil.

There was no outstanding surprise. A Club team not at full strength went down to the Bordeners who go up to joint second place in division I and who lead the Club on goal average but have played one match more.

This defeat of the Club enhanced the prospects of the leaders (Club de Recreo) who were not engaged.

Out of the Running.

In section "A" Recreo Reserves displaced St. Joseph's College for third berth and the University also improve their position.

As Chinese Athletic "A" were defeated in section B, they go out of the running for the championship. The leaders, St. Joseph's Reserves and Moslem Club, both won to continue their race, the former maintaining their unbeaten record this season.

Kowloon and St. Joseph's secured "doubles." Both Artillery eleven lost; all four South China teams went down; and the three Athletic teams engaged only took a solitary point between them.

Among the Seniors.

In the senior division, Kowloon (at home) defeated the Royal Artillery by 2-nil. The Kowloonites rallied in the latter part of the second half and scored through Sims (centre-half) and McKelvie (playing at centre-forward).

Tevyholm (outside-right) was responsible for the two goals by which the Scottish Borderers defeated the Hong Kong F.C. (the home team). Humphries and the Rev. Alexander were the scorers. The infantrymen were the better team and played with more cohesion.

South China engaged the Police for four points (i.e., treating the game as two matches) and lost by the only goal scored by Hudson (the pivot). The Police defence showed up to advantage against the fast individuals in the South China vanguard.

Kowloon Juniors' Triumph.

St. Joseph's College and Chinese Athletic "A" shared the points in a goalless draw in section "A" of division II, in which the undefeated leaders (Borderers' Reserves) were not engaged.

Kowloon Reserves ran up the biggest victory of the day, beating Chinese Athletic "B" by 7-nil, the scorers being May (4), Coates (2) and Eastwood. May scored twice in the first half and all the other goals came after the breathers.

L. Carvalho got both goals by which the Club de Recreo Reserves defeated South China Reserves in a clean, fast game.

The University had a hard tussle with the R.A. Reserves but won by 2-nil, P. C. Lim and Gutierrez being the marksmen.

Very Close Race.

In section "B" of division II, St. Joseph's Reserves beat Chinese Athletic "A" by 2-nil; and Moslem Club overran South China Boy Scouts by 6-1. The respective winners remain in the running for the championship with 22 points and 20 points, the Moslems having a game in hand for their deficit. Hong Kong Bank Portuguese also defeated South China "B" by the odd goal in five.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE.

The Hong Kong Basketball Open League (two divisions) 1927 season starts on Wednesday evening, in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. gymnasium, where all games will be played.

The Y.M.C.A. team, last year's champions, will meet the University "B" team in the opening game. This season the Y.M.C.A. University, Ying Wa College, Queen's College, Chinese Athletic Association, and the Y.M.C.A. Hostel have entered teams for the senior open league.

The officers are:—President, Mr. J. L. McPherson; vice-president, the Rev. E. C. Stewart; hon. treasurer, Mr. T. Moffat; hon. general secretary, Mr. Ko Sik-wai; secretary senior league, Mr. Richard Shim; secretary junior league, Mr. Leung Shiu-on.

MACAO RACES.

INAUGURAL MEETING PROGRAMME.

EVENTS & CONDITIONS.

Below is the programme for the Inaugural Meeting of the International Race & Recreation Club of Macao, to be held at Macao on February 5 & 6.

Races follow at intervals at half an hour. Entries close at 5 p.m. on Jan. 25.

An advertisement appears on page 12 of this issue.

FIRST DAY (FEB. 5).

1.—(2 p.m.) The Opening Cup (once round)—winner \$400; 2nd \$200; 3rd \$100; and three cups to winning jockeys presented by I.R.R.C. Directors of I.R.R.C. and Macao Electric Lighting Co. Ltd. For all ponies. Weight for inches. Entrance \$5.

2.—The Arda Praia Stakes (5 furlongs)—winner \$250; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$50. For all ponies. Weight 145 lbs. up. Entrance \$3.

3.—The Governor's Cup (1 mile)—A cup presented by H.E. Arthur Tamagnini de Sousa Barbosa, Governor of Macao, to be won twice in succession by same owner or owners or three times in all. Winner \$350; 2nd \$250; 3rd \$150. Entrance \$10.

4.—The Macao Shik Stakes (6 furlongs)—winner \$300; 2nd \$150; 3rd \$100; for all ponies. Weight 145 lbs. up. Entrance \$5.

5.—The Praia Grande Stakes (3 furlongs)—winner \$250; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$50. For griffins of 1927 and subscription ponies or griffins of I.R.R.C. Winner of to-day barred. Catch weights. Entrance \$3.

6.—The U-U Stakes (4 furlongs)—winner \$300; 2nd \$150; 3rd \$100. For all ponies that have started to-day. Winner to carry 150 lbs. Catch weights. Entrance \$5.

SECOND DAY (FEB. 6).

1.—(12.30 p.m.) The Canton Stakes (3 furlongs)—winner \$250; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$50. For subscription ponies and griffins of I.R.R.C. Winners of yesterday to carry 145 lbs. upward. Catch weights. Entrance \$3.

2.—The Mong-ha Stakes (4 furlongs)—winner \$250; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$50. For all China ponies. Winner of similar distance yesterday barred. Catch weights. Entrance \$3.

3.—The Hong Kong Plate (6 furlongs)—winner \$300; 2nd \$150; 3rd \$100. For all ponies. W.I. Placed ponies allowed 5 lbs. Unplaced ponies allowed 15 lbs. Entrance \$5.

4.—The Jockey Cup (5 furlongs)—winner \$250; 2nd \$150; 3rd \$100. A cup presented by Mr. Lu Lim-loc to the winning jockey. For all ponies. W.I. Placed ponies allowed 5 lbs. Unplaced ponies allowed 15 lbs. Previous winners 5 lbs., extra Entrance \$5.

5.—The Ladies' Purse (4 furlongs)—winner \$200; 2nd \$100; 3rd \$50, and prizes to jockeys presented by the ladies of Macao. Entrance \$3.

6.—The Inaugural Sweepstakes (1 mile)—winner \$700; 2nd \$300; 3rd \$200. Open to all winners and placed ponies only. Starting fee \$20 (post entry). W.I.

7.—The Visitors' Cup (5 furlongs)—winner \$250; 2nd \$150; 3rd \$100. For all non-winning ponies. Catch weights. Entrance \$3.

8.—Mafao Race (4 furlongs)—winner \$100; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25. For all unplaced ponies to be ridden by mafao in racing colours. Riders—1st \$50; 2nd \$25; 3rd \$10. Unplaced \$5. No whip or spurs allowed. Entrance free. (post entry).

LAWN TENNIS.

In a team (doubles) lawn tennis match, the Diocesan Boys' School, on their own courts, defeated visitors captained by the Rev. N. Evans by 85 games. Scores:—

Lee Tan-jit and Wong Cheong-ko (School).	8-5
beat Evans and Lynch	8-5
beat Richards and Valentine	11-0
beat Barker and Kennedy	10-1
Ma Chiu-cheong and J. Chan (School).	27-6
beat Evans and Lynch	7-4
beat Richards and Valentine	9-2
beat Barker and Kennedy	9-2

Rev. W. T. Featherstone and Chan (School).

lost to Evans and Lynch	2-9
lost to Richards and Valentine	4-7
beat Barker and Kennedy	9-2
Total: Diocesan Boys' School 87 games; Rev. N. Evans' team 82 games.	

K.C.C. SUNDAY.

AMERICAN TOURNAMENT TENNIS.

A lawn tennis "American tournament" was held at the Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday.

There were two teams, each of 12 pairs (with handicaps), as follows:—
"A" team:—Mrs. C. Atkinson and W. Hyde, Mrs. C. Burford and W. Hirst, Mrs. A. Bonnaud and A. Leot, Mr. and Mrs. W. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. W. Old, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Purves, Mrs. F. Goodwin and D. J. Lyle, Mrs. J. McOw and S. S. Harris, Mrs. E. Stainfield and W. R. Buckenborough, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Labrum, Mrs. H. Stainfield and E. J. Gill.

"B" team:—Mrs. C. E. Millard and N. Trambitzky, Mrs. Blanford and C. J. Tacchi, Mrs. J. Howe and C. Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kew, Miss Gittens and E. F. Fincher, Mrs. Spalding and L. Jack, Mrs. Olson and W. J. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hooper, Mrs. J. Clark and A. W. Brown, Mrs. Mason and A. E. Dyer, Mrs. E. Long and R. F. Strange, Miss Kacker and W. M. Gittens.

"A" team won by 337 games to 298.

Mrs. A. Bonnaud and A. Leot were the most successful in the "A" team, winning 46 games to 14. Mrs. C. E. Millard and N. Trambitzky did best for the "B's", winning 35 games to 15.

Spoons were presented to the ladies in "A" team by Mrs. McIntosh, who was introduced by Mr. E. Abraham (Vice-President).

LADIES' CLUB.

ANNUAL LAWN TENNIS "AT HOME."

On Saturday the Ladies' Recreation Club held their annual "at home" on the conclusion of the lawn tennis tournament.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. C. Russell Brown (wife of Col. C. Russell Brown, R.E.), as follows:—Open Championship Singles—winner, Miss Robinson, runner-up, Miss Enid Lo.

Men's Championship Singles—winner, Dr. R. E. Tottenham, who beat Major W. B. Stevenson 8-6, 6-2, 6-2.

Mixed Doubles Championship—winners, A. D. Humphreys and Mrs. James, who beat Mr. and Mrs. Rowley 6-1, 6-0.

Club Championship—winner, Mrs. James who beat Mrs. Stark 7-5, 6-3.

The final of the Mixed Doubles Handicap will be played later.

LAWN BOWLS.

"Inside" workers beat "outside" workers by 23 shots (in a rink game for spoons) at lawn bowls on Saturday, at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

Scores:—
"Inside" "Outside."
Warren Reid
Hale Hyde
Dobbie Harvey
Gibson (Skip) .29 (Skip) .14

Stoneman Eagles
Stevenson Branch
Chapman R. Duncan
Muir MacLachlan
"Skip" .27 (Skip) .16

McIntosh Hatt
Rundell James
Jones Craig
Hazel W. Macfarlane
(Skip) .17 (Skip) .20

Total .73 Total .50

SWIMMING RECORD.

Sydney, Jan. 15.

The New South Wales championships 100 yards, back-stroke race resulted as follows:—1, Saito (Japan); 2, Campbell; 3, Kirkland. The time was 73 seconds. Saito won by two yards.

The 220 yards race resulted as follows:—1, Takahashi (Japan); 2, Charlton; 3, Moore. The time was 137 seconds, an Australian record. Takahashi won by eight yards.—Reuter.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club 1st XI against 6/2nd Punjab on Friday at 4.45 p.m. at the Marina ground:—S. H. Garrod; J. Rodger, D. Lyon; L. M. S. Lloyd; E. J. R. Mikahli (captain); Major J. P. S. Greig; G. B. Slipper; H. Owen Hughes; F. G. L. Wheeler; W. Woodward; G. P. Lammer.

POLO CHALLENGE.

Calcutta, Dec. 27.

The Selection Committee of the Army Polo Association of India is still awaiting definite news regarding the acceptance by America of the challenge of the Hurlingham Club to a contest for the Westchester Cup.

Arrangements for the selection of the team are greatly advanced; and it is understood that Captain Bonk will be invited to be one of the six or seven players selected to go to America.

INDIAN'S GOLF CHAMPION.

Calcutta, Dec. 28.

W. E. Houston won the Indian Amateur Golf Championship, played over 36 holes, defeating Geo. Downie 2 and 1.

G. D. Forrester, the holder for three years, was beaten in the semi-final by Houston.

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FASHIONS AND FANCIES

Novelties for the Winter Season.



Monograms have appeared on almost every available spot in the wardrobe. From the initialed sport dresses to the diamond-studded outlines of the pin that was worn almost everywhere, the monogram has been an essential part of the accessories which help so much to complete a smart appearance.

At present the monogram is serving a new purpose in decorating the gloves that will be worn in the winter season. These monograms are really lovely and add much to the smartness of the gloves. Gloves, by the way, remain soft, pliable and fairly loose and hesitate between a pull-on model and a fitted effect. Gloves also possess a turned back cuff that is interesting in its colourful embroidery or applique. Monograms are frequently featured in colours on the neatly turned back cuffs.

The umbrella leads in creating a different aspect to its usefulness. Umbrellas now are as decorative as they are serviceable and may be carried for accessory purposes alone. They bestow quaint little things in their handles such as mirrors, monograms, jewels, and powder puff cases. They come in all sorts of interesting silks and taffetas. The gay plaids are used with stunning effects. Umbrellas may now match costumes in every known shade.

Pocketbooks are always to be found in new lines to accompany the newest ensemble. The lines of the purse vary so much that before an entire season has passed many varieties of bags are introduced. Just now the larger pocketbook has been succeeded by a smaller purse except in the very large bag that more nearly resembles an overnight bag. Soft kids such as goat, antelope and reindeer are being featured among the novelties. Just now a new purse which is quite wintry in its aspect is being seen in the smart shops. This is a flat furred skin to match the fur of one's costume, cow, pony and sea dog being used most. The muff pocketbook is also new. It includes a place to keep the hands warm on chilly days as well as takes care of all the little things that go inside a purse. The envelope purse, too, is bidding for a return to its popularity and appears in all sorts of odd shapes and fabrics.

The pin has taken a very important place among the accessories and now there are some interesting pins made to resemble the very

expensive brooch which comes in white gold and rhinestones and fastens in all the odd places that the pin is used for.

Muffs, too, come among smart and new accessories and this season is trying to introduce them with success. It depends upon how much we have become accustomed to the use of our hands, and the muff still remains an unknown quantity.

Flowers have a habit of keeping the centre of the stage as far as accessories are concerned. They are now looming large and colourful in silks, velvets and chiffons and accompanying all types of dresses, coats and wraps.

Scarves play an important part in keeping one warm as well as smart. The scarf that grows up to a shawl at night is particularly important now that the season for dancing has come round again. The scarf gives the necessary chic and warmth between dances so that it is almost indispensable. Shawls in gay colours or embroidered effects continue popular and are found sharing their splendour with laces and huge squares of brocade fabrics. Heels on the new evening slippers are much noticed for their brilliance. The jewelled heel to match the costume is seen everywhere. Appearing in her new First Na-

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tional film, "It Must Be Love," Colleen Moore wears some very new and interesting accessories which will be seen during the winter months.

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SPORTS DRESSES AND COATS.

Some very smart schemes in jersey and kasha still show the kilted skirt of fancy pattern with a plain soft coloured jumper and a sports coat in suède or light velveteen. Crepeella in a thicker winter make and angora, which are very light and warm, are produced in lovely bright colours. A hyacinth-blue crepeella made with straight box pleats had a jumper of the same and a three-quarter coat of duvetyne cut like a man's in a darker shade of blue. A yellow pleated skirt of kasha had a matching jumper trimmed with green and yellow embroidery, and was worn with a cardigan of dark green.

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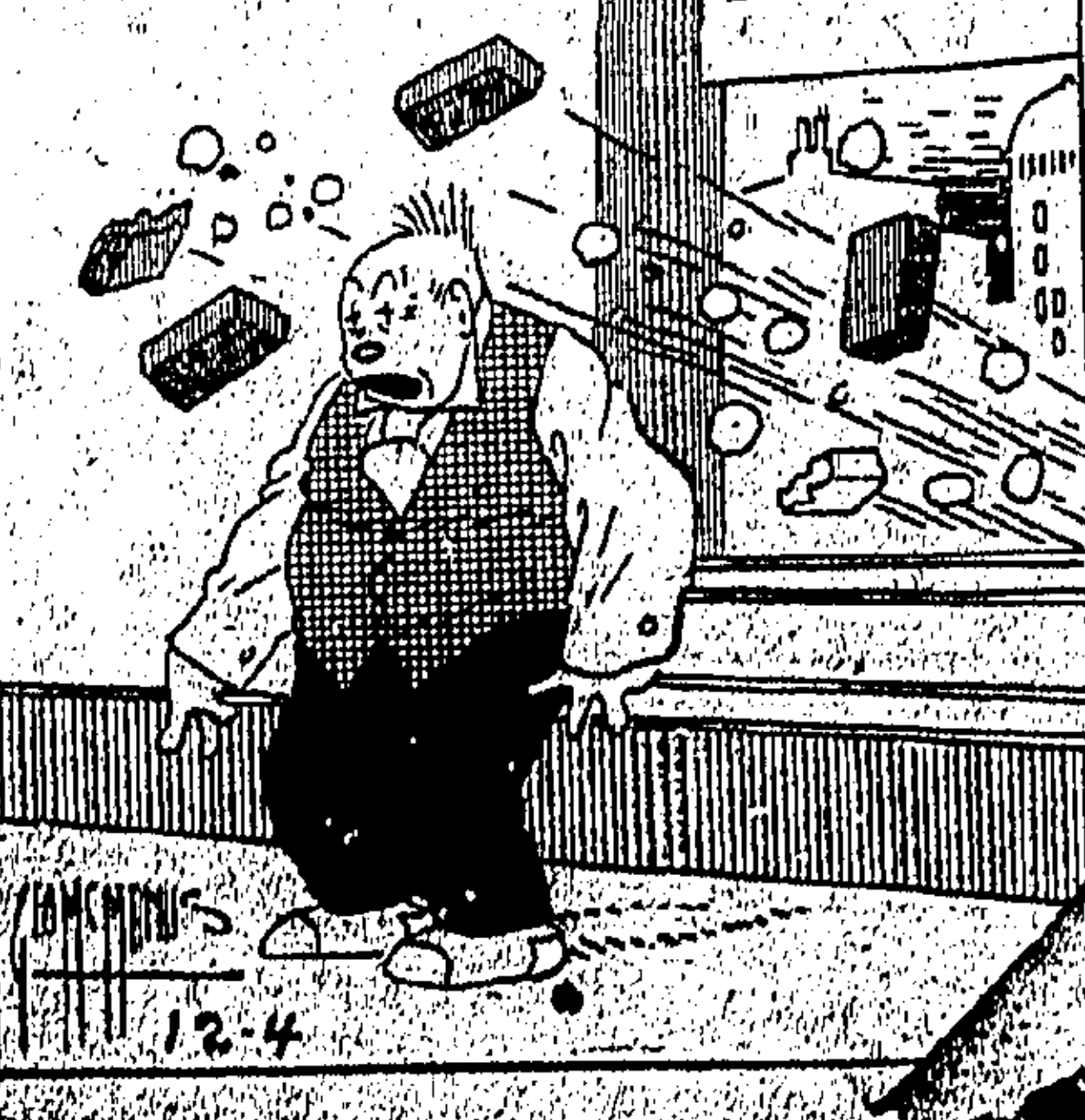
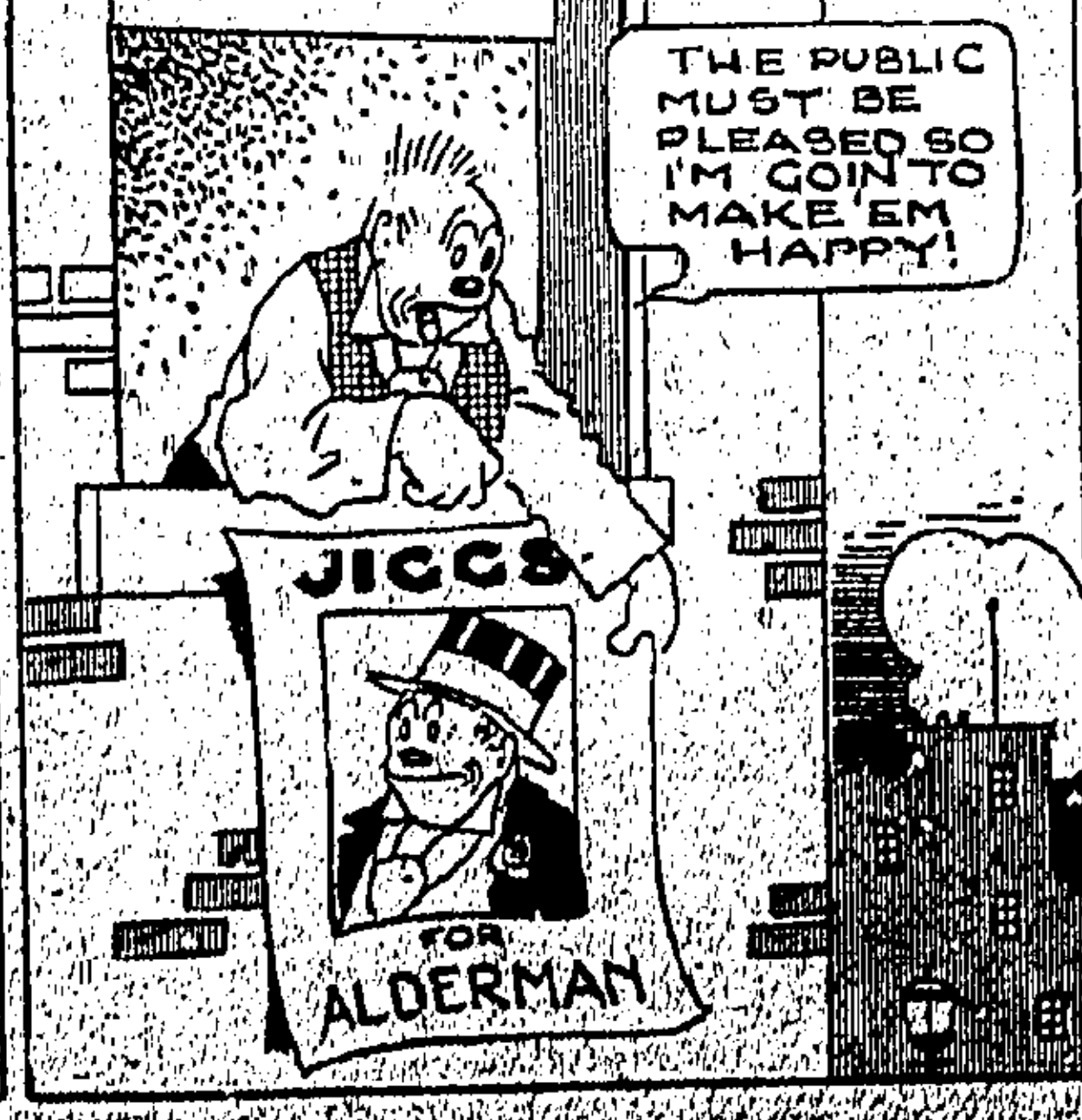
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Mrs. Jane Moss, aged 102, who recently had her hair bobbed, has died in North Middlesex Hospital, Edmonton, N.

Mr. John Beckett and Mr. Arthur S. Young, members of the Independent Labour Party, are at present in Poland to study social legislation in that country.

Eight Chippendale mahogany chairs, with stuffed seats and backs, covered with woolwork, with foliage in colours on yellow ground, realised £261 at Messrs. Christie's.

At a county meeting at Worcester it was decided to form a Worcester-shire branch of the National Playing Fields Association.

Harvard, U.S.A. University has decided to transfer its observatory from Peru to South Africa because of the greater clearness of the atmosphere.

White's Club, in St. James's street—the oldest in the world—is to be sold. An offer has been made to the members to acquire the freehold for £100,000.

Death by Misadventure was the verdict returned at a Hull inquest on George Alfred Hart, aged 18, of Tipton, who died after a knock-out blow during an amateur boxing contest.

The establishment of a new "Covent Garden Market" on the Foundling Hospital Estate, Bloomsbury, W.C., is the object of a private Bill, promoted by Beecham Estates and Fills, Limited.

Expenditure on the London Hospital must be cut by £50,000 a year, Viscount Knutsford stated at a meeting of the governors. By the end of the year the hospital would owe its bankers £100,000.

The Rev. H. H. Treacher, vicar of St. Mary's, Strood, Rochester, who missed his wallet containing paper money and war medals at Charing Cross, received the wallet and medals, but not the money, by post.

Miss Gladys Cooper was fined £1 at Sutton, Surrey, for driving her motor-car without an efficient silencer, and Miss Phyllis Monkman was fined £3 at the same court for driving her car at 27 miles an hour.

The distinction of being the first woman barrister to appear before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council can be claimed by Miss Joan Clarkson, who was briefed in an appeal from New Zealand recently.

An outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease has been confirmed at Whitton, Ditch, Rambsbury, Wiltshire, and the usual restrictions, which have been imposed over an area of about 15 miles radius from the infected premises, will affect parts of the counties of Wiltshire, Berkshire, and Hampshire.

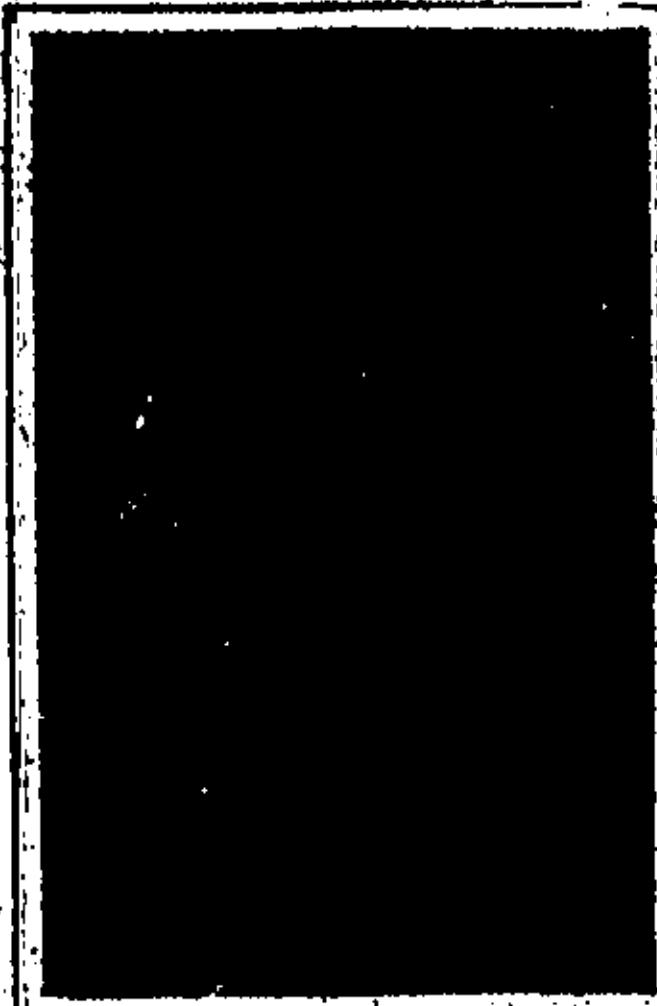
Lord Bledisloe, opposing a motion in the House of Lords, which was rejected by 66 votes to 21, for the annulment of the Milk and Dairies Order of July 9, said that the consumption of milk per capita in Britain was disgracefully small, smaller than in any other highly-civilised country.

Mr. Bertram Mills won the first prize in the harness class at the New York Horse Show with Edgware Dusky Queen and Edgware Count, the pair which successfully competed at the International Horse Show and the Richmond Horse Show last year.

A Gilbertian situation arose at Twickenham, where a sweepstake on the Manchester Handicap was promoted on behalf of St. John's Hospital, of which Sir William Joynton-Hicks, the Home Secretary and member for the division, is president. The police, who are under the direct control of Sir William, as Home Secretary, were taking steps to ascertain the legality or otherwise of the sweepstake, when news arrived that the Home Secretary had banned it.



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Recent internal changes in Russia have placed new men in power. Here are four in power to-day: Rikoff, who succeeded Lenin as Premier; Stalin, leader of the Communist party; Koubisheff, recently elected president of the All-Russian Economic Council, and Tomsky, president of the All-Russian Council of Trade Unions.

A bedstead, covered with crimson brocade, and with cornice of crimson velvet bordered with silver gimp, which was made for Queen Anne, realised £282 at Messrs. Christie's.

Although the Territorial Army Estimates were reduced by £160,000 last year, the Earl of Onslow (Under Secretary for War) stated in the House of Lords, its efficiency had never been higher than at present. The Regular Army and the Territorial Army were all one Army now, and the whole Army was in a higher state of efficiency than ever before.

At Staple Hill, near Bristol, Thomas Dixon, a rag and bone man, of Kingswood, and Alphonzo Dyer, printer, were each fined 5s. Dixon for using the royal arms on his billheads, without appointment, and Dyer for being an accessory to the offence.

Replying to Lord Parmoor in the House of Lords the Earl of Balfour said that the true course of statesmanship had been followed by the Dominion representatives with regard to the status of the Dominions. His view most strongly was that the British Empire was now a more united organism than ever before.

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Japan	Kutsumaru	5 p.m.
Amoy	Soochow	5 p.m.
	THURSDAY, JANUARY 20.	
Swatow	Suliyang	10.30 a.m.
Straits	Cromer	2 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Hulchow	2 p.m.
	FRIDAY, JANUARY 21.	
Japan	Mishima Maru	9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haining	Noon
Manila	Pres. Pierce	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Szechuen	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt, & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 19th Feb. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (22nd Jan.) 5.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Kashmir	

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

FACTS FOR CANTON.

Mr. R. MacDonald's Warning.

CANTON PLAYING WITH FIRE.

London, Jan. 15.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Labour leader, in an article in the Labour organ "Forward" on the recent events at Hankow says:

"One has nothing but the deepest gratitude and the highest admiration for the men who controlled themselves—diplomats and marines alike.

"Nothing could justify our authorities if they simply walked away from the Settlements which in the past the Chinese Governments have allowed us to control, and where our people have taken up their abode under the security they believed the treaties gave them.

"We must have an agreement and during its negotiation the ordinary precautions for safety must be taken.

Making Conflict Certain.
"I think the past should be liquidated because it is the past. But it is good neither for China nor for us that the liquidation should be done by riotous crowds. If it is, a conflict is as inevitable as to-morrow's sunrise, and we will not be to blame.

In any event it is clear that the Canton Government is responsible for the crowd that packed itself on the barriers of British Concession at Hankow.

"If a Government uses a crowd like the Hankow crowd, for its own purposes it must not be mealy-mouthed as to the consequences. If a crowd has got the upper hand in spite of a government's efforts, it is the government that must shoulder the responsibility.

"I hold that the 'Concessions' should pass under the control of the Chinese Government. But is that the purpose of the agitation? If it is, why do the French and Japanese Concessions remain?

Anti-British Hatred.
"When posters appeared on the walls of the British Concession after the evacuation they appeared to have been, not expressions of Chinese Nationalism, but of anti-British hatred. What is any Government to do under those circumstances?

"We may frame resolutions, but the man who has to carry them out has a job of a different kind, and we ought to try to put ourselves in his tight shoes.

"I must express my view that at the moment the issues are less in our hands than in the Canton Government's.

"Are we to be allowed to liquidate in peace, or is the jack boot to be applied to us, and to us alone? I say peace, and I hope, the Canton Foreign Minister will play up to that policy."—Reuter.

Belgium's Attitude.
Peking, Jan. 16.

M. De Warzee, the Belgian Minister, in a Note to the Waichiaopu, dated January 13, states that Belgium, with a view to the giving proof of her conciliatory spirit, has decided that pending the negotiations soon to commence, she will suspend the action before the Hague Court. The Note expresses the hope that a treaty on a basis of equality and mutual respect for territorial sovereignty may soon be concluded. It is also stated that M. M. Devos, Lambert and Van Cutsem, as technical advisers, will be associated with M. De Warzee in the negotiations.

The Waichiaopu, in a reply, dated January 14, says that China will do her utmost to consummate a new treaty on such a basis, and suggests the 17th instant as a suitable date for the inauguration of their joint task. The hope is expressed that the negotiations will be speedily completed.—Reuter.

Defence of Shanghai.
Paris, Jan. 16.

The "Matin" says that the defence of Shanghai has nothing to do with any particular policy towards the Canton Government, and the French Government, while ordering all the necessary defensive precautions to be taken, has not the least reason to suppose the Nationalist Government has hostile intentions against

JAIL FOR LIFE.

SENTENCED MAN FIGHTS GUARDS.

New York, Nov. 30.

David Meshel, veteran criminal, fought with his guards in The Bronx Court House to-day to escape imprisonment for the rest of his life under the Baumes law, but the guards won.

Handcuffed, Meshel, who swore vengeance upon his attorney, was thrown into the prison van; three officers on motor-cycles acted as escort, and the patrol rushed to Police Headquarters.

The prisoner was the first man to be so sentenced under the Baumes law in Bronx County. He was convicted yesterday of third degree burglary as a fourth offender, and his counsel, Assemblyman Julius H. Berg, made several motions to-day before County Judge Barrett.

He asked that the verdict be set aside on the ground that the jury was permitted to view scene of the crime after the case was completed.

Declaring Meshel's record was a matter of fact, Judge Barrett said:

"I am going to be brief. You were convicted by a jury and in my opinion it was a just and proper verdict. In your case the justification of the Baumes laws is apparent. Your record shows you to be bad and a menace to society."

"Get Even" Threat.
Meshel had been an unruly prisoner while awaiting trial, according to officers. Instead of "taking it out on the judge," he denounced Assemblyman Berg and vowed that if the opportunity ever came he would "get even."

Led by detectives from the court room on the fourth floor to the jail corridor, on the floor below, he began to struggle and guards had a hard time clamping the handcuffs on his wrists.

Meshel, with Joseph Meyers of 139 Somer Street, Brooklyn, was convicted of robbing the apartment of Mrs. Harriet at 3443 Know place, The Bronx, last September. Meyers, now serving a ten-year term, was arrested at the apartment, while Meshel was arrested the next day in West Farms Court, where he had gone to see Meyer arraigned.

Meshel has been arrested seven times and convicted four previous times: May 29, grand larceny; Elmira; April 21, 1921, Napanoch reformatory; June 20, 1923, disorderly conduct, sixty days in the workhouse; December 27, 1923, burglary, two years nine months in Sing Sing.

BRAINY CRIMINALS.

From statistics it appeared that the general intelligence of criminals was not less, and possibly rather more, than that of the general public, said Dr. W. R. K. Watson, senior medical officer to H.M. Prison, Brixton, at a conference of the Central Association for Mental Welfare at the Central Hall, Westminster.

"The general run of criminals," he added, "are pretty intelligent fellows. I do not know that this would have been so before the war, but a much more intelligent type of criminal has emerged during the past two years. At any rate that is my experience."

During the 48 hours ended on Sunday, the following cases of notifiable disease were notified: 1 Chinese case of diphtheria, 1 British case of typhoid, both from Kowloon.

French interests or subjects.—Reuter.

Our Cautious Policy.
London, Jan. 16.

The Government's cautious policy with regard to China is commended in the Sunday papers.

The "Observer" rebukes Conservative critics who are girding at the Government's patient attitude. The paper expresses the opinion that the British Government never did a wiser thing than "nail its colours to the mast." This policy of recognising the fact of a new China, but maintaining the status quo until China is in a fit state to discuss treaties, is far-sighted and is bound to reap its reward.

"DISEASE A CRIME."

SIR ARBUTHNOT LANE'S DICTUM.

Sir William Arbuthnot Lane, who attended a dinner recently at the Guildhall, was both amused and surprised to find beside his plate three wholemeal rolls. This, he explained in an address which he delivered at the American Women's Club, was the result of his calling attention to the fact that at a previous luncheon at the National Liberal Club he had been given white bread which "was not fit for rats and mice."

Sir Arbuthnot said he thought we needed a Mussolini in this country to order every member of the community to eat wholemeal bread.

Speaking on "How to Keep Fit," he said he believed the mortality amongst doctors was greater than amongst other classes of the community. (Laughter.) Nature's laws were terribly simple, but somehow or other people could not see the forest for trees. If they wanted to keep young and well, and not die of cancer, they should remember that if they were clean they were well, but to be clean it was necessary to see that they valued the simple laws of nature.

"I say," he said, "that disease is a crime, and should be punished as such." It was a curious fact that a person with fair and tawny hair had an enormous advantage over the person with dark hair. The fair-haired person seemed able to resist disease so much more readily than the dark-haired person.

ISADORA DUNCAN.

HOUSE SOLD TO SATISFY DEBTORS.

Paris.—The house of Isadora Duncan, the famous dancer, was sold for \$10,000. The auctioneer stated that he was unable to give the name of the purchaser at present.

Isadora Duncan's house at Neuilly was sold to satisfy claims of 100,000 francs demanded by debtors. The dancer refused to accept property valued at 300,000 francs left her by her husband, Serge Yessenin, the Russian poet, and awarded her a few days ago by the Soviet Government. She ordered that the money should be given to his father and mother. Yessenin committed suicide last December at Leningrad, shortly after his divorce from the dancer. The house, which was built by the painter Gervey, was visited by many famous painters, artists, and poets, including D'Annunzio and Rodin.

A number of Chinese business men left for Shanghai yesterday by the "President Cleveland." These included Mr. Ma Wing-chun, managing director of the Sincere Co. Ltd., his son Mr. William Ma who was recently married here on his return from London, and Mr. Wong Kin-cho, another director of Sincere's.

NOTICE.

INAUGURAL RACE MEETING FOR CHINA PONIES

of the INTERNATIONAL RACE & RECREATION CLUB

on 5th & 6th February, 1927.

Events: First Day.

- 1.—The Opening Cup (Once Round)—Winner \$100.
- 2.—The Area Prea Stakes (Five Furlongs)—Winner \$250.
- 3.—The Governor's Cup (One Mile)—Winner \$500.
- 4.—The Macao, Shik Stakes (½ Mile)—Winner \$300.
- 5.—The Prais Grande Stakes (Three Furlongs)—Winner \$250.
- 6.—The U-Un Stakes (Half Mile)—Winner \$300.

Events: Second Day.

- 1.—The Canton Stakes (Three Furlongs)—Winner \$250.
- 2.—The Mongha Stakes (Half Mile)—Winner \$250.
- 3.—The Hong Kong Plate (½ mile)—Winner \$300.
- 4.—The Jockey Cup (Five Furlongs)—Winner \$250.
- 5.—The Ladies' Purse (Half Mile)—Winner \$200.
- 6.—The Inaugural Sweep Stakes (One Mile)—Winner \$700 (1).
- 7.—The Visitors' Cup (Five Furlongs)—Winner \$250.
- 8.—Mafoo Race (Half Mile)—Winner \$100.

Entries Close at 8.00 p.m. on the 25th January, 1927.

- * Entrance Fee \$5
- * Entrance Fee \$3
- * Entrance Fee \$10
- (1) Entrance Fee \$20

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